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**How do I think about
the challenge?**

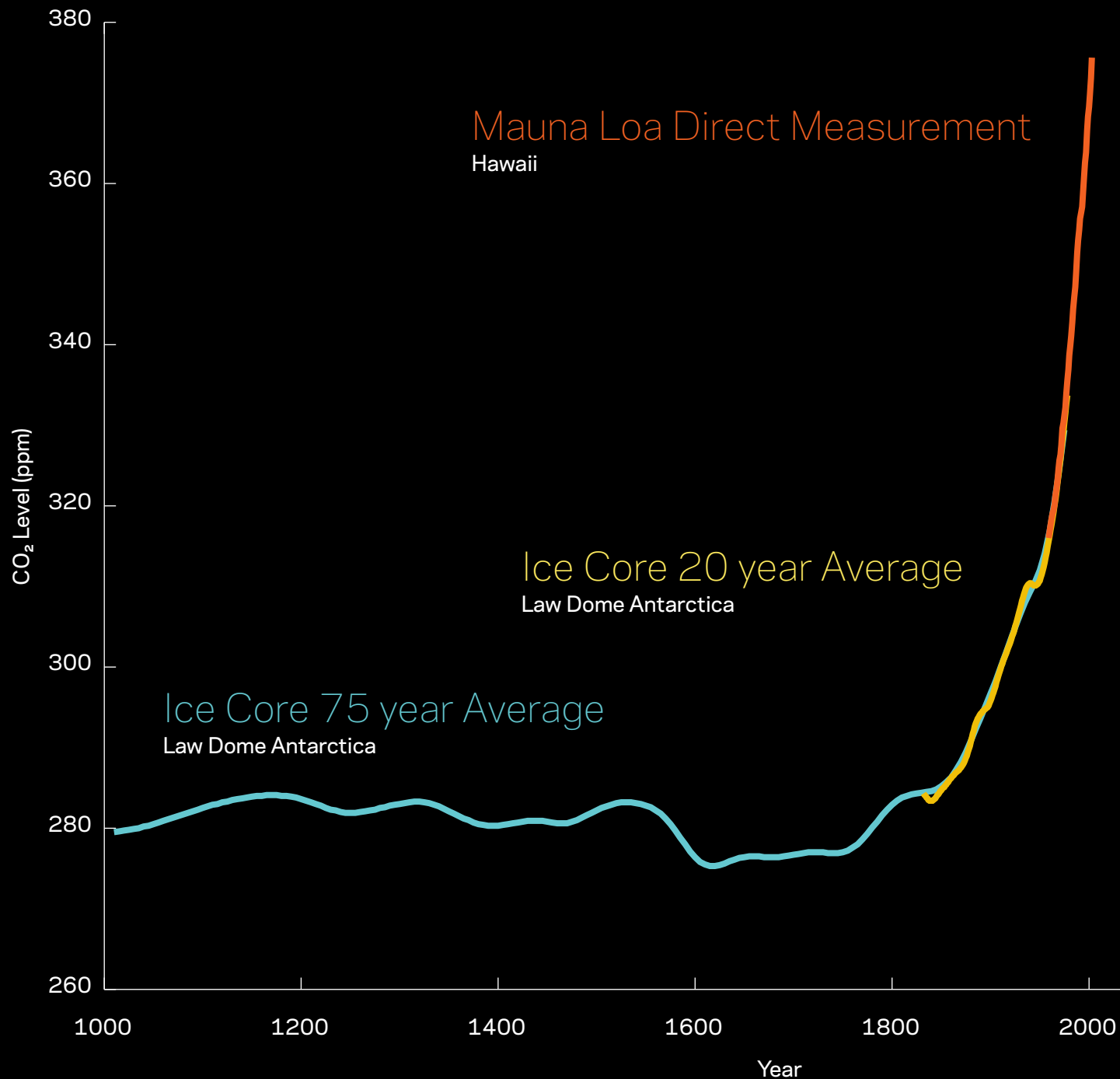
Green by the numbers.

Two stories : one global, one personal.



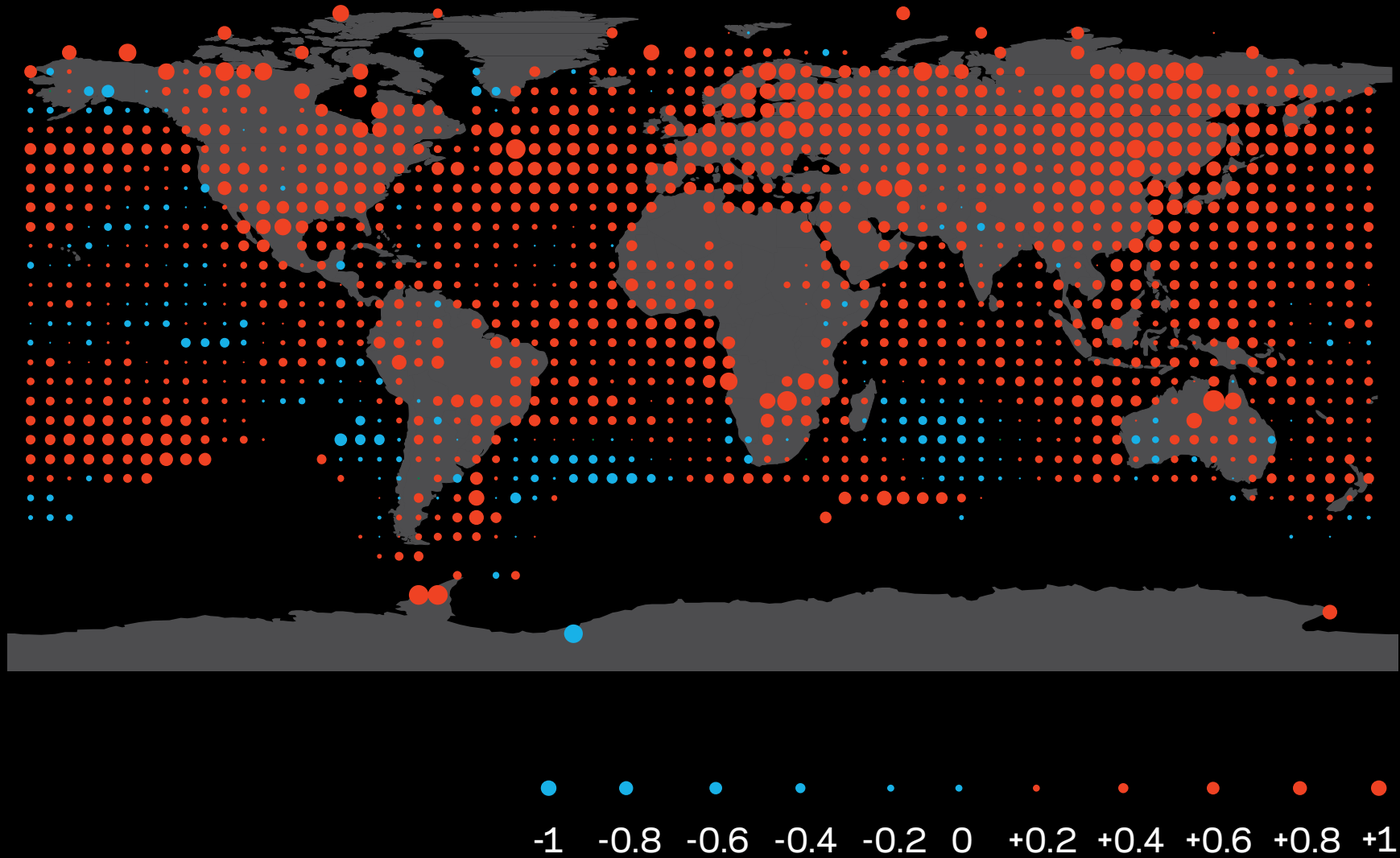
Supply : Generation

CO₂ concentrations last 1000 years

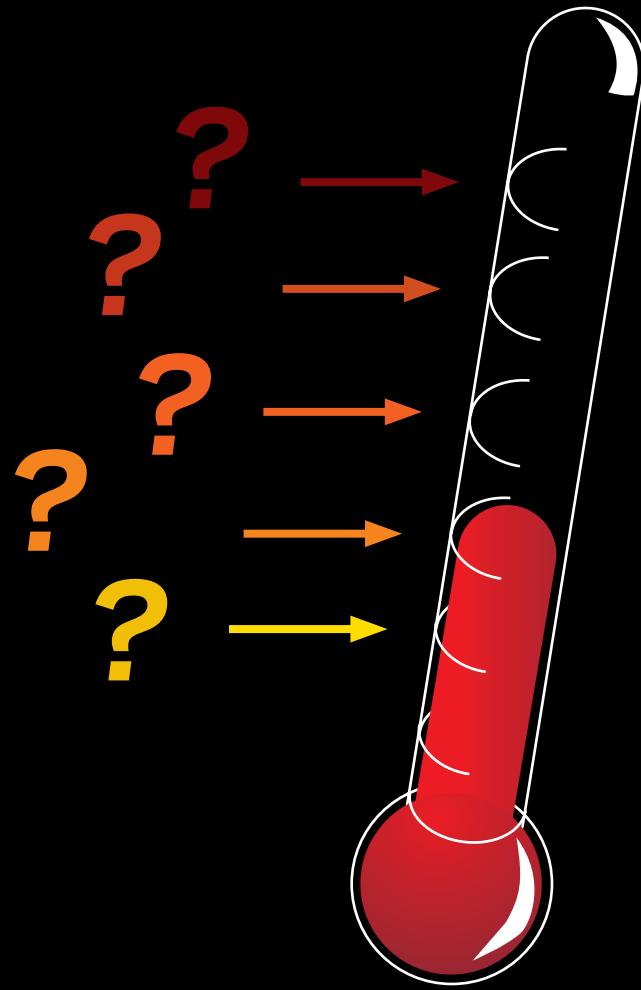


Temperature Changes around the world in the last quarter of the 20th century

Trends in °C per decade



We need to commit to the temperature we want...



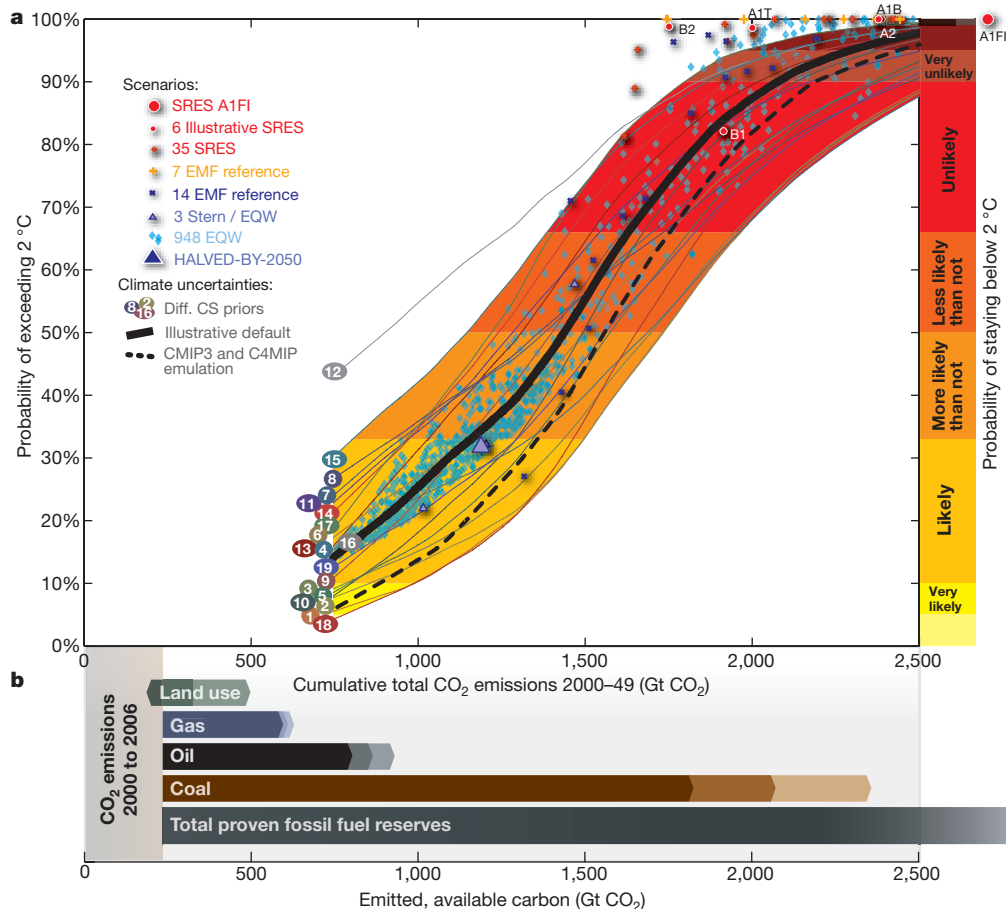


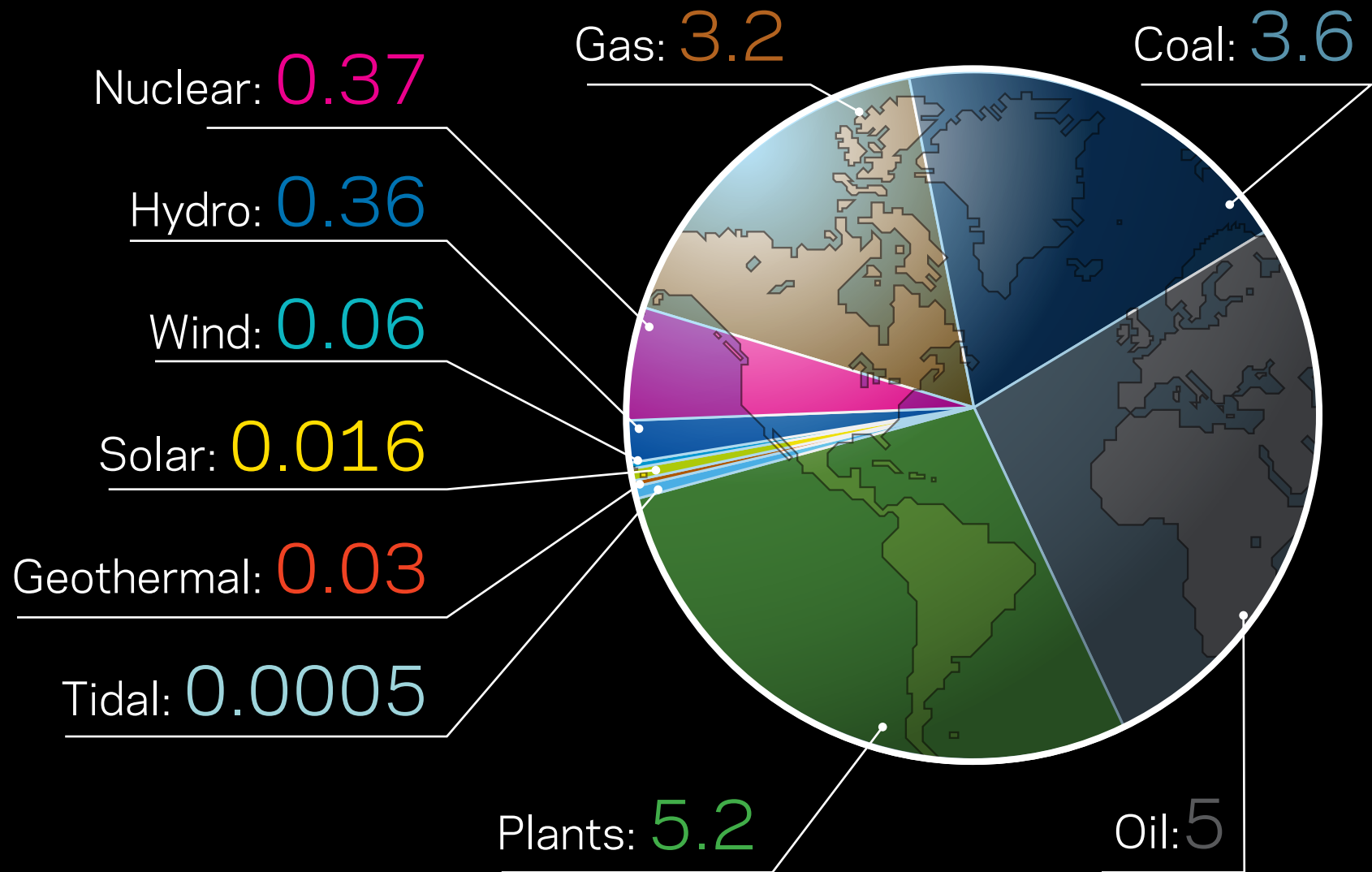
Figure 3 | The probability of exceeding 2 °C warming versus CO₂ emitted in the first half of the twenty-first century. **a**, Individual scenarios' probabilities of exceeding 2 °C for our illustrative default (dots; for example, for SRES B1, A2, Stern and other scenarios shown in Fig. 2) and smoothed (local linear regression smoother) probabilities for all climate sensitivity distributions (numbered lines, see Supplementary Information for data sources). The proportion of CMIP3 AOGCMs²⁶ and C4MIP carbon-cycle⁸

model emulations exceeding 2 °C is shown as black dashed line. Coloured areas denote the range of probabilities (right) of staying below 2 °C in AR4 terminology, with the extreme upper distribution (12) being omitted. **b**, Total CO₂ emissions already emitted³ between 2000 and 2006 (grey area) and those that could arise from burning available fossil fuel reserves, and from land use activities between 2006 and 2049 (median and 80% ranges, Methods).

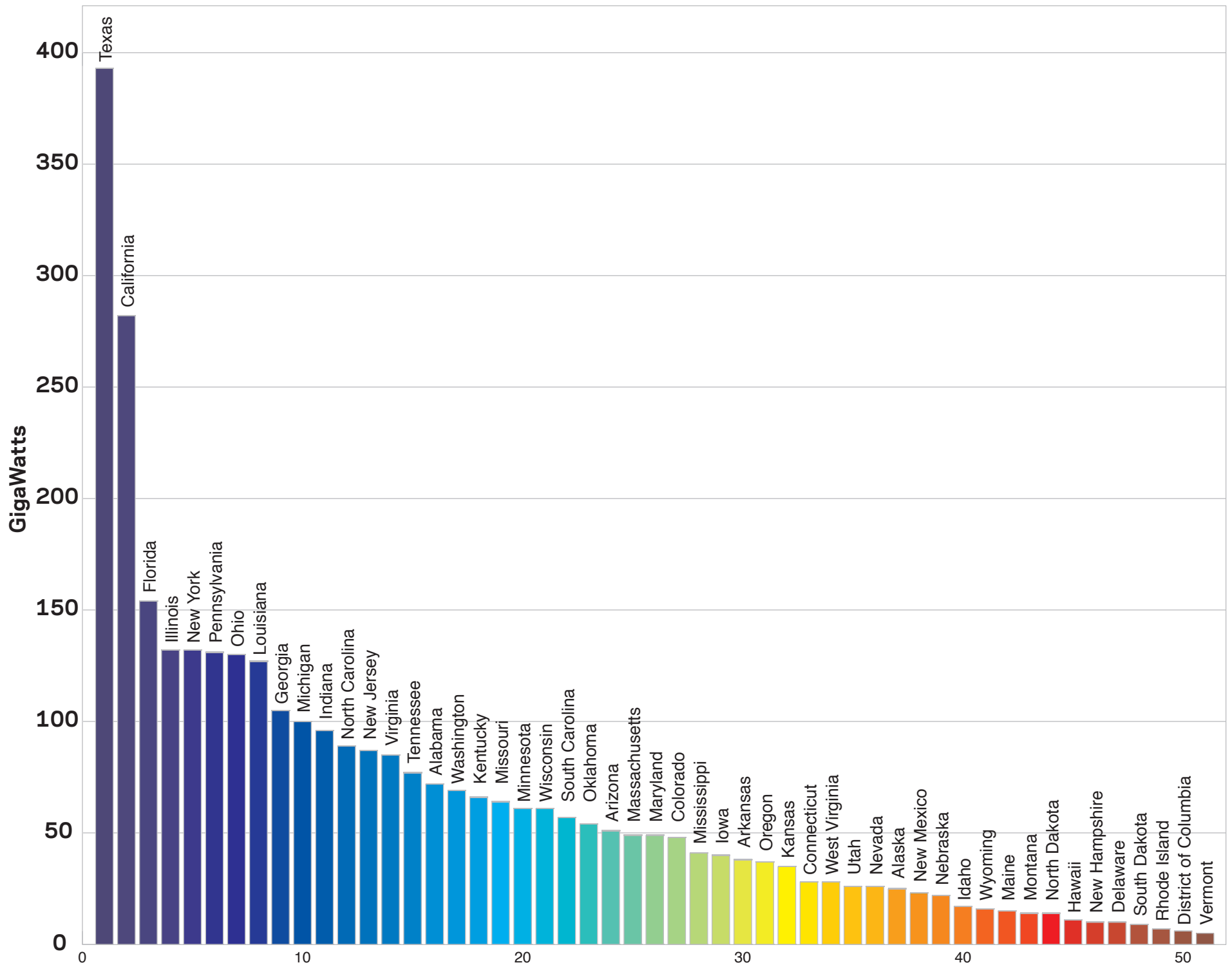
Energy production

Units shown in Terawatts (TW)

Humanity
18TW



State-level energy consumption, 2006 (GW)



What is the challenge?

Current Demand:

16 TW (IEA)

Fossil Fuel:

2-3 TW

Existing non-carbon:

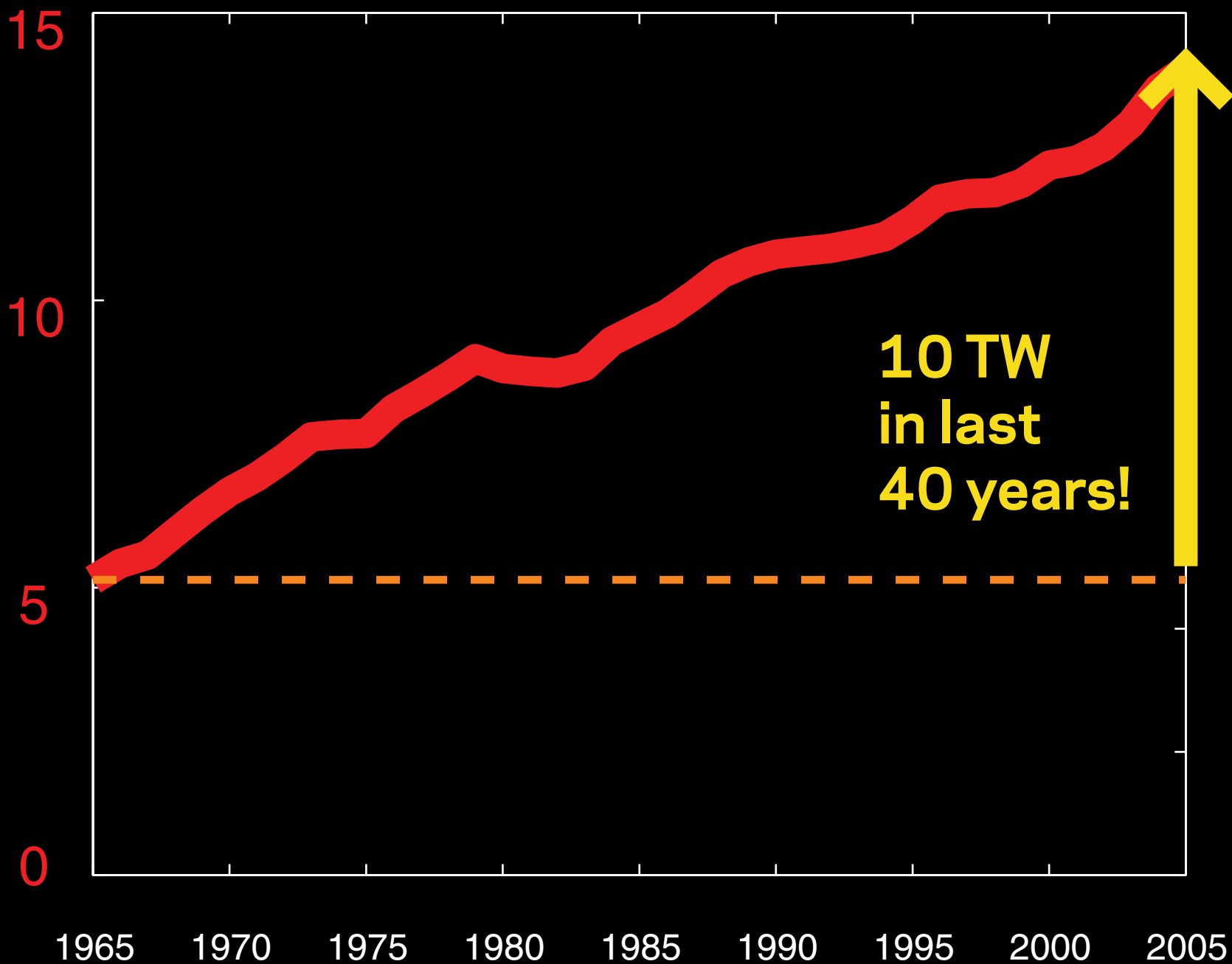
1.5 TW

New Clean Energy:

$16 - (3 + 1.5) = > 11.5 \text{ TW}$



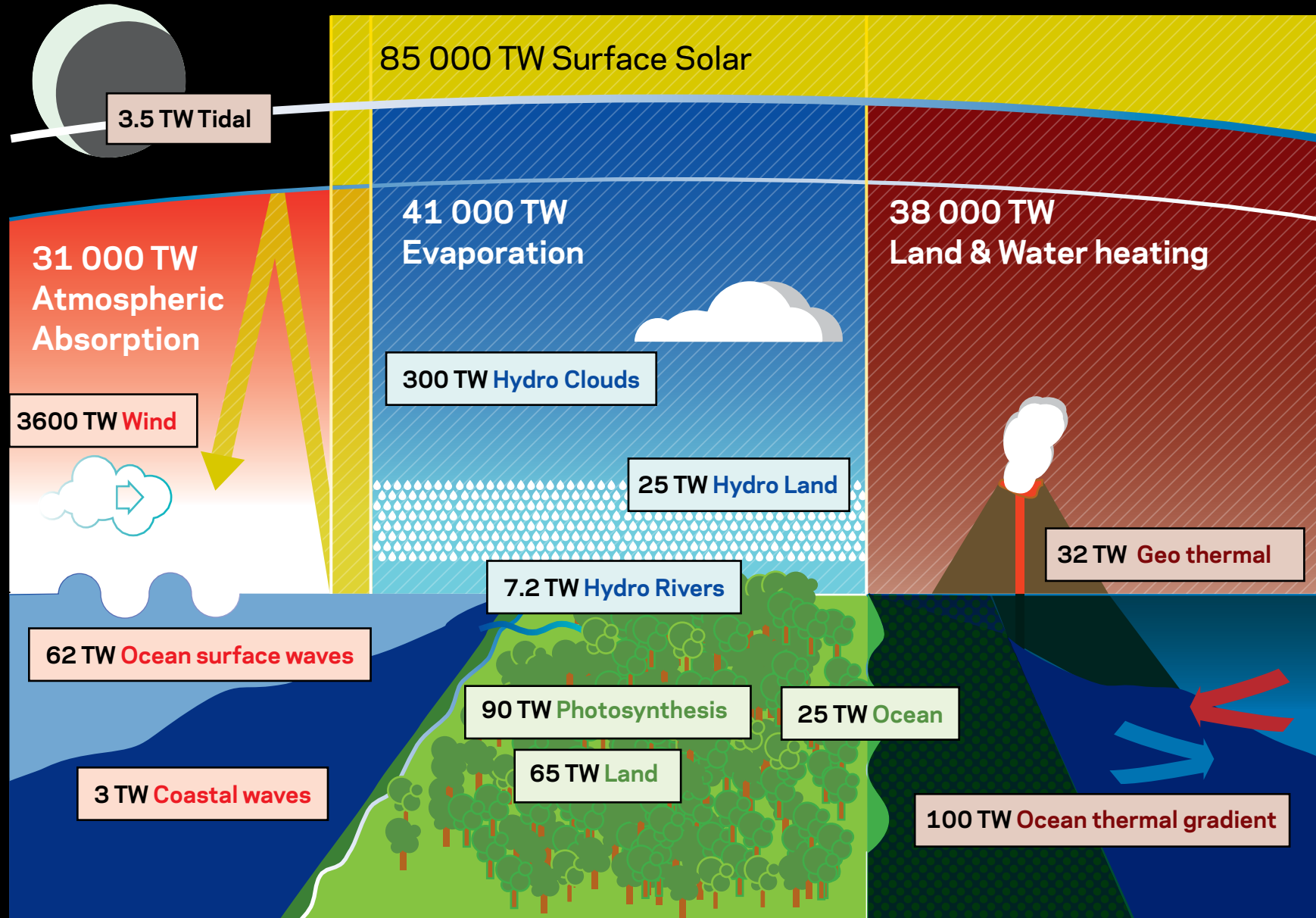
GLOBAL POWER CONSUMPTION, TW



Sources of renewable energy.

Global consumption

18 TW



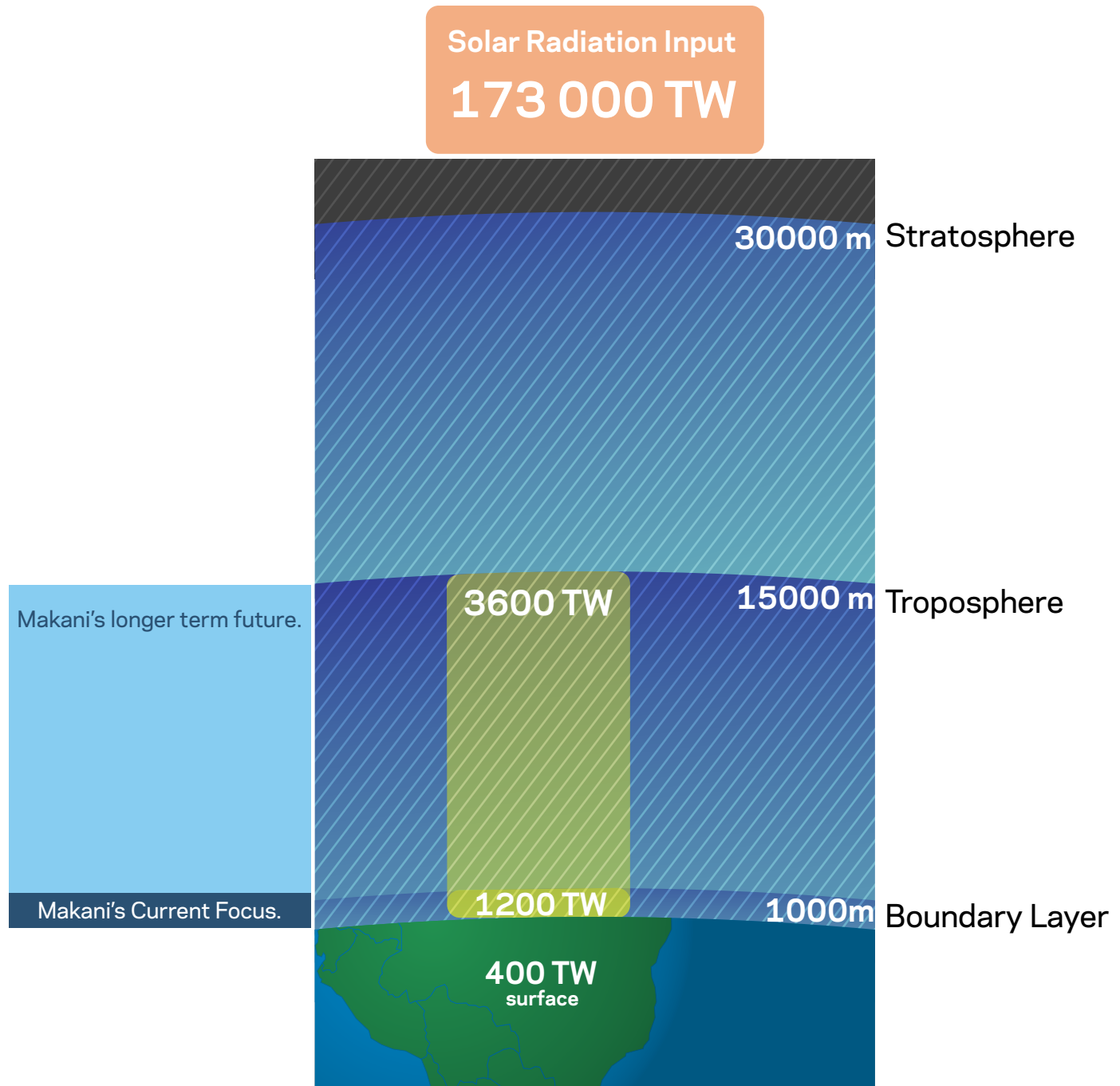
Wind as a resource

Where is the wind?

Wind is a secondary form of solar energy generated by the differential heating and cooling of the atmosphere.

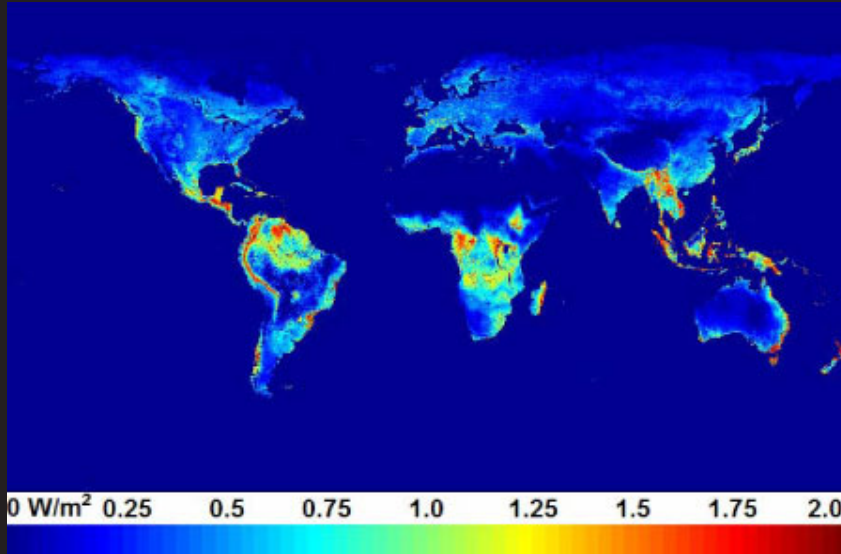
Terrestrially (at 80 meter hub heights) the resource is considered 400 TW globally. Within the boundary layer - liberally defined as 1000 meters, there is a further 800 TW for a resource potential of 1200 TW. In the troposphere up to an altitude of around 15000 meters there is a total resource of around 3600TW.

In the short term Makani is focused on the wind in the boundary layer - 'mid-altitude'. With tethered wings operating at altitudes between 100 and 1000 meters. (300 - 3000 feet).

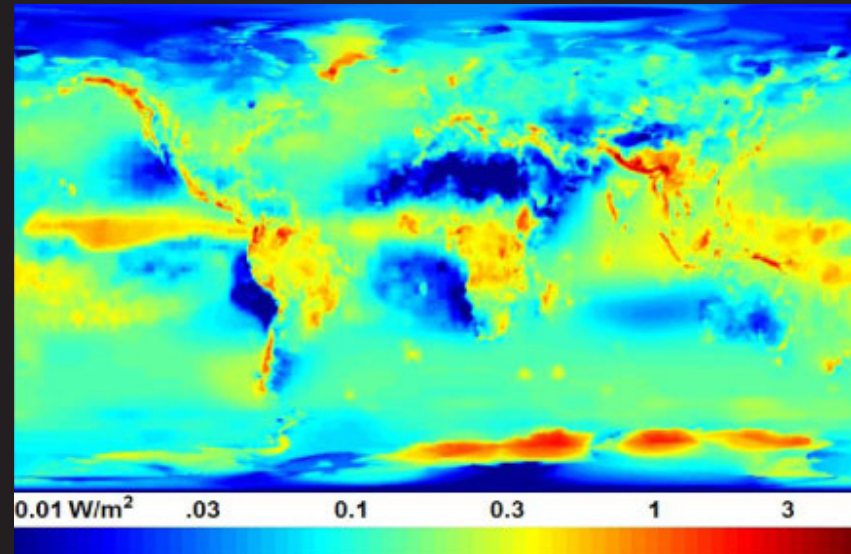


Renewable Power Density Maps

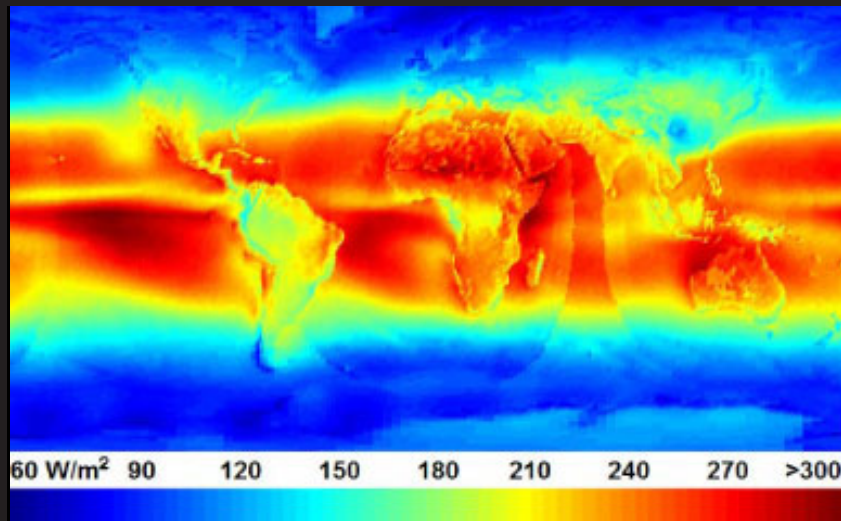
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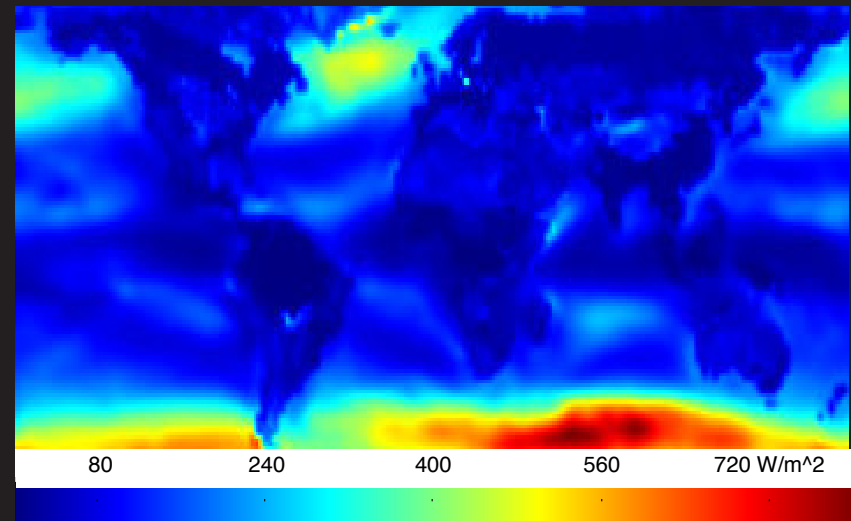
Precipitation (ultimately hydro electric)



Solar Radiation



Wind - 50m



Renewable Power Density Maps (compared to wind)

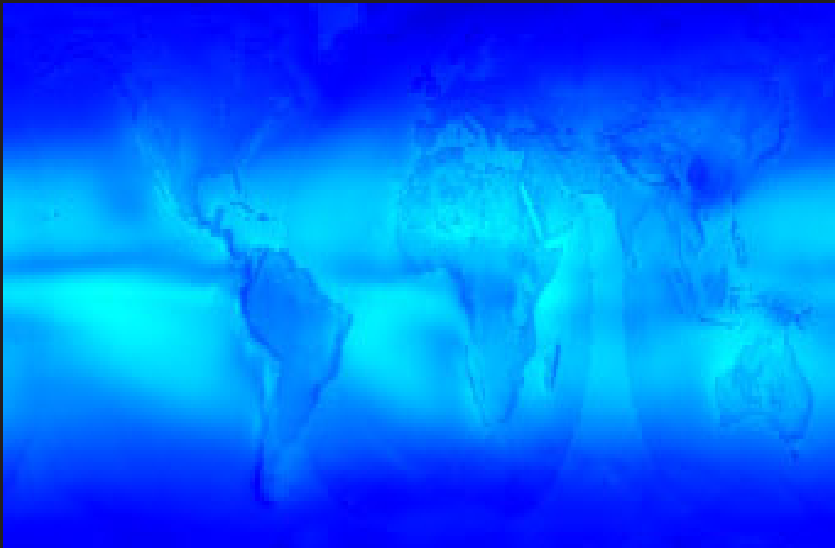
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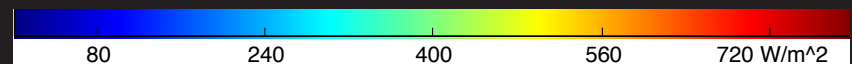
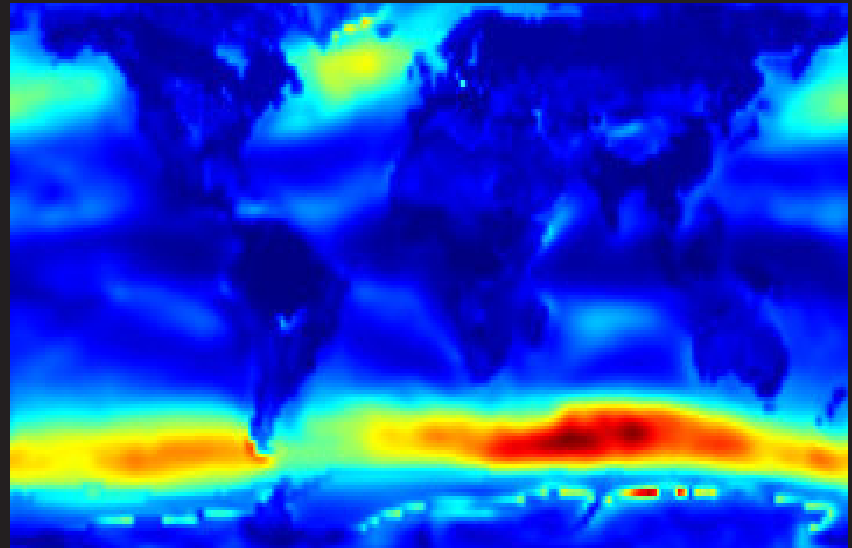
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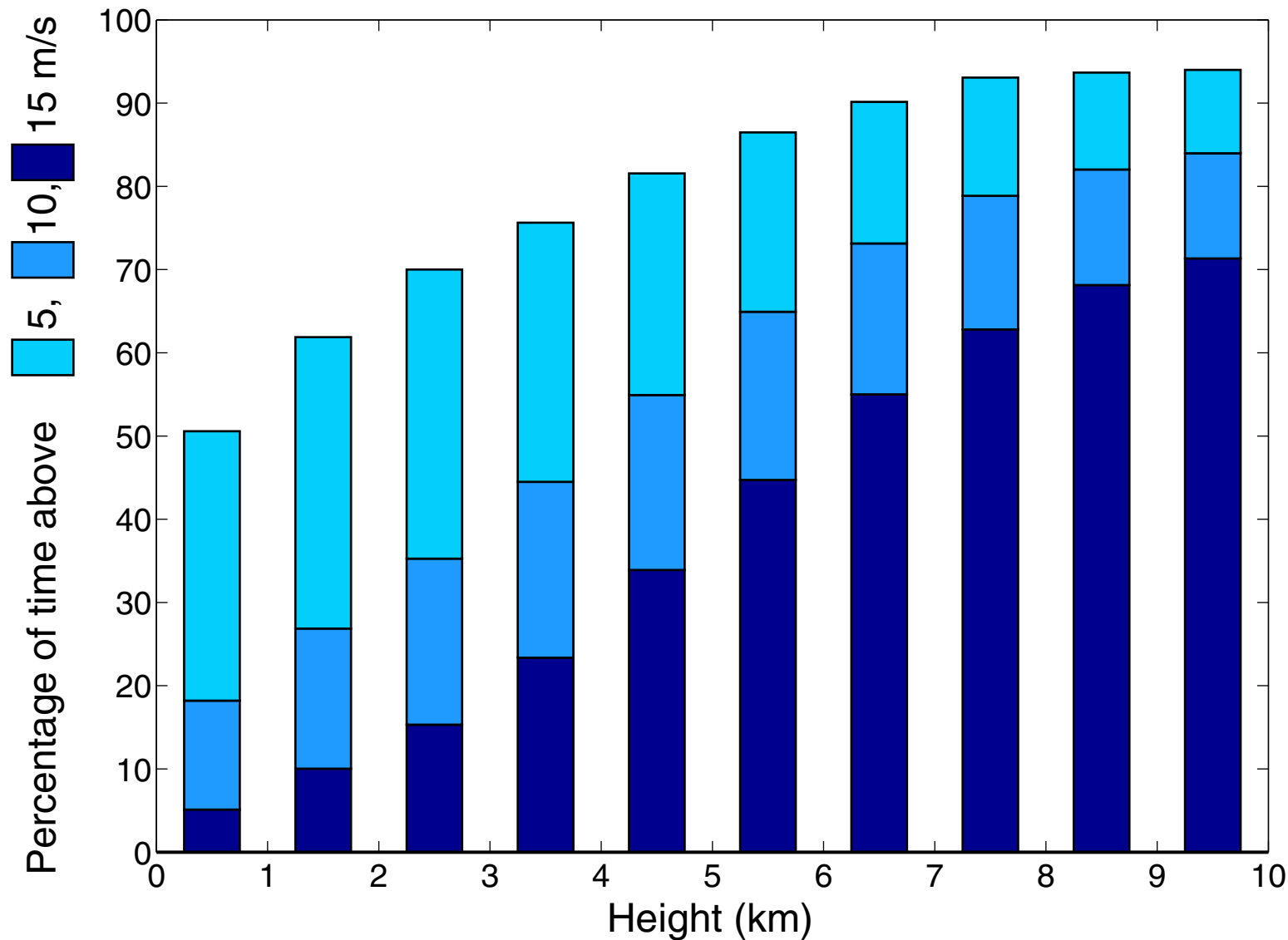
Wind - 50m



Power density (flux) of the “renewables”.

High Altitude wind—Jet Stream	1500 - 500 000	W / m ²
Wind	200 - 1000	W / m ²
Solar	90 - 300	W / m ²
Tidal	0.5 - > 2	W / m ²
Ocean Thermal Gradient	0.1 - 0.6	W / m ²
Photosynthesis	0.25 - 2	W / m ²
Precipitation	0.03 - 3	W / m ²
Geothermal	0.05 - 0.25	W / m ²

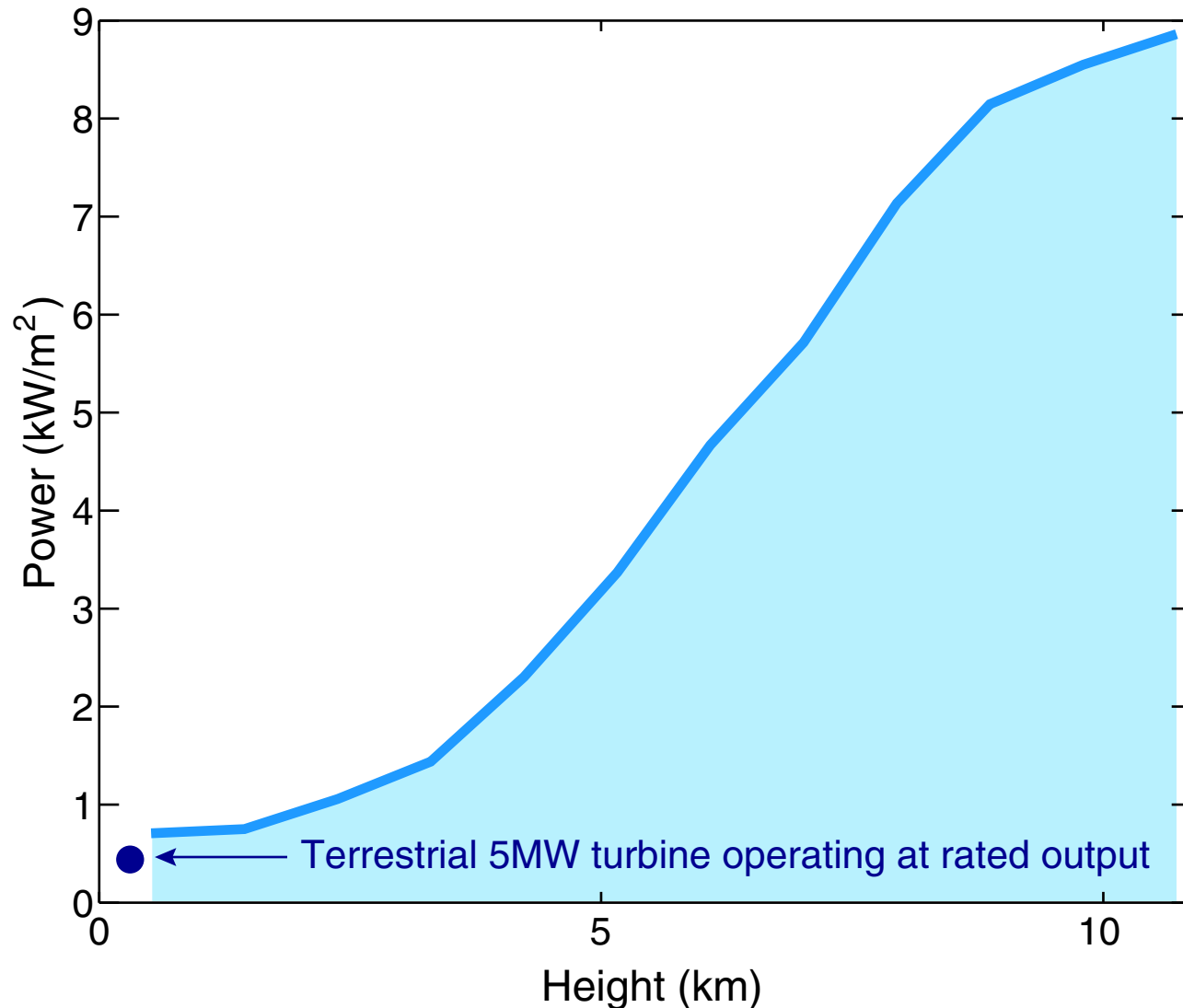
Dependability of high altitude wind as a resource.



Dependability of high altitude wind as a resource. The fraction of time the wind speed exceeds a given value graphed as a function of altitude (height, in kilometers). Data is taken from the MADIS NOAA Profiler Network - more than 100 Doppler radar stations across the US and Japan. Values shown are averages over all of the stations within the network. This suggests a much higher capacity factor (dependability) for high altitude wind parks than the roughly 30-35% for traditional terrestrial turbines.

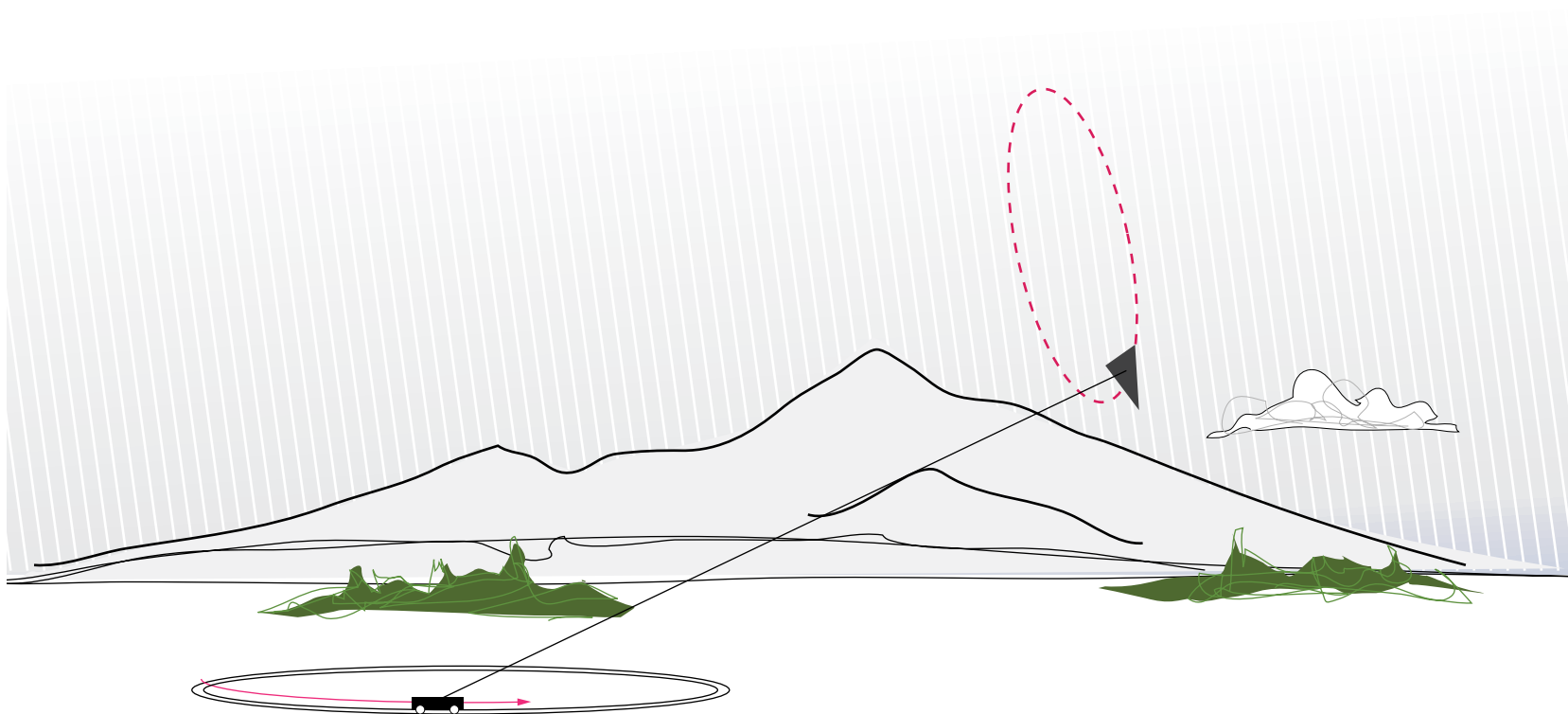
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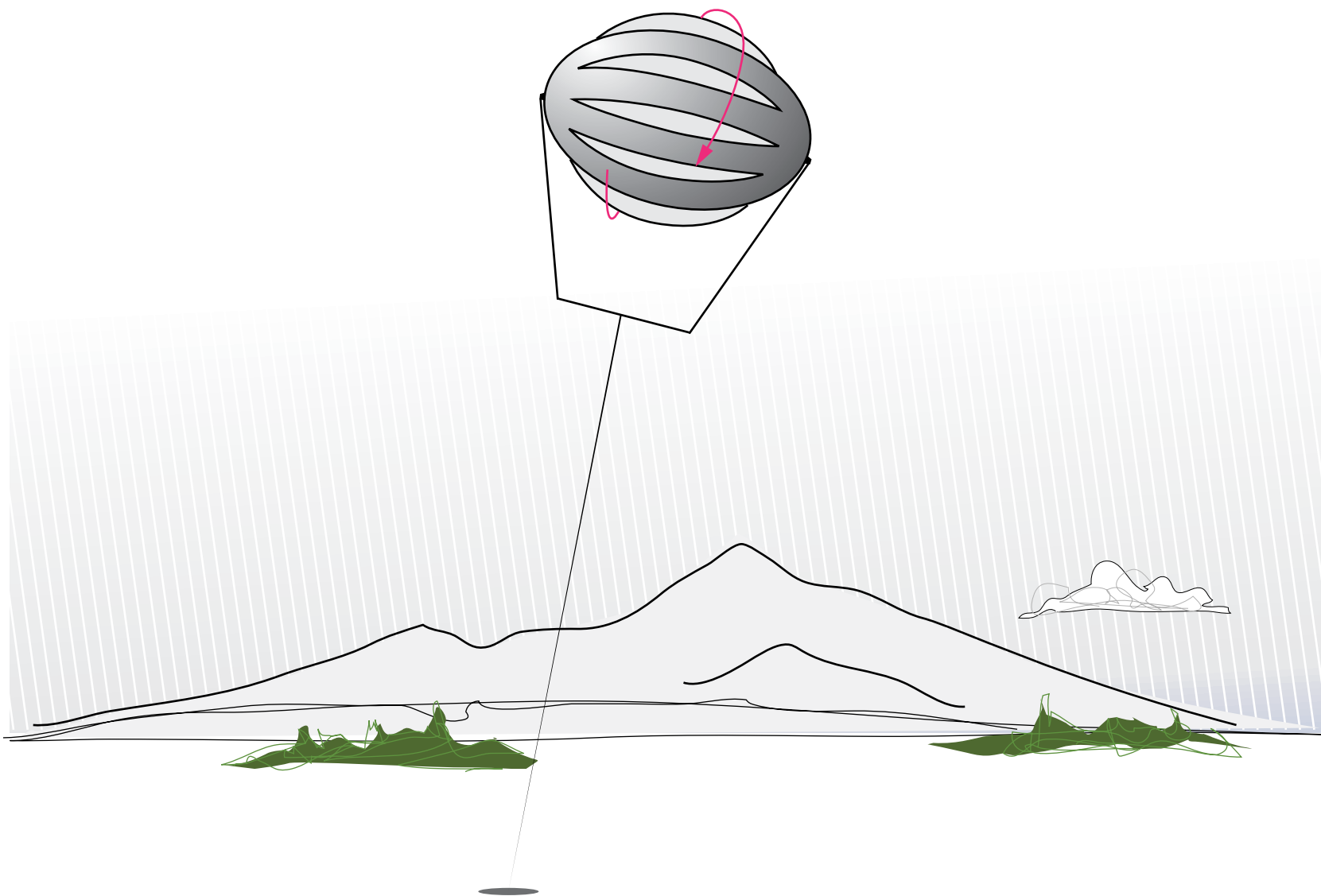
Power contained in high altitude wind.

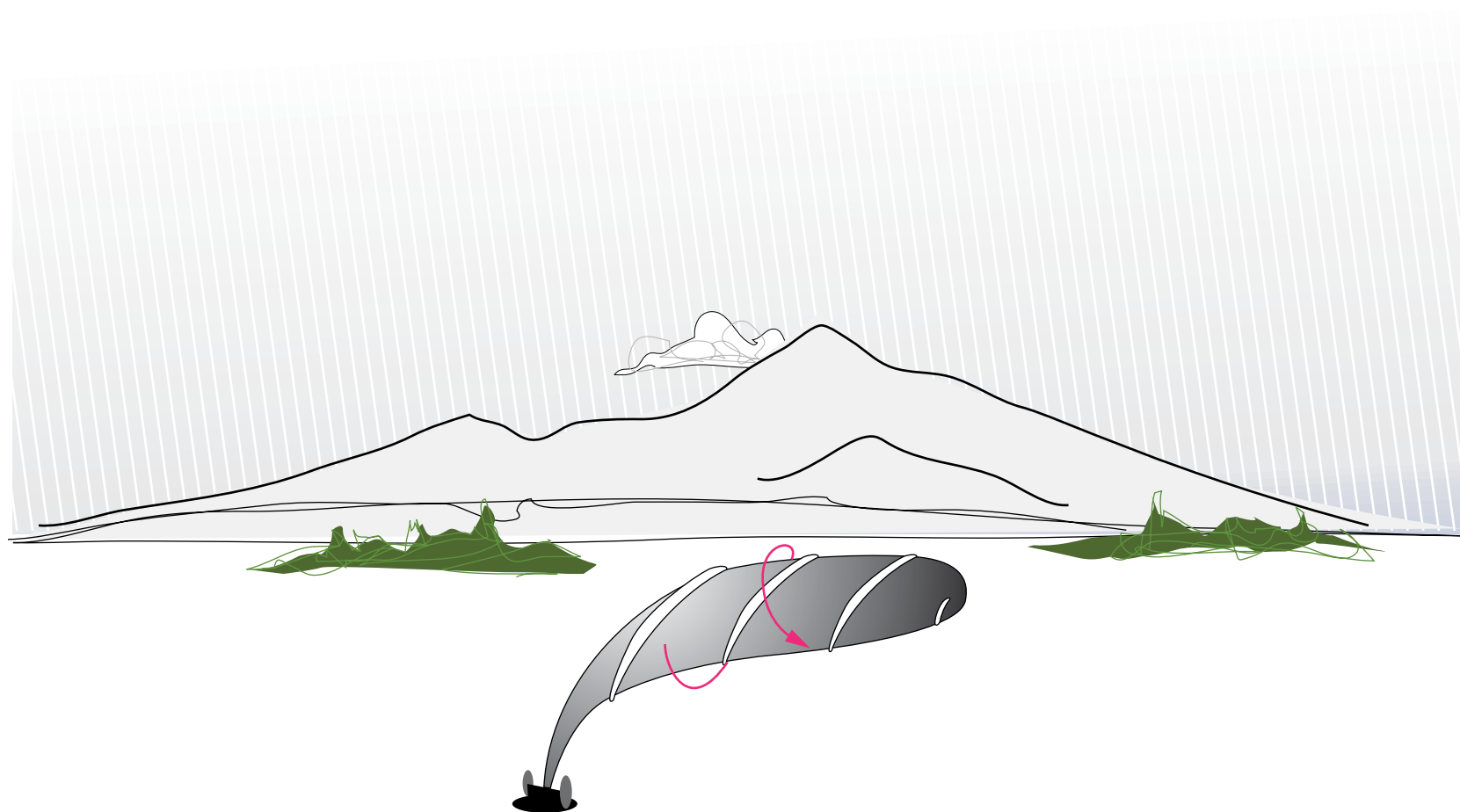


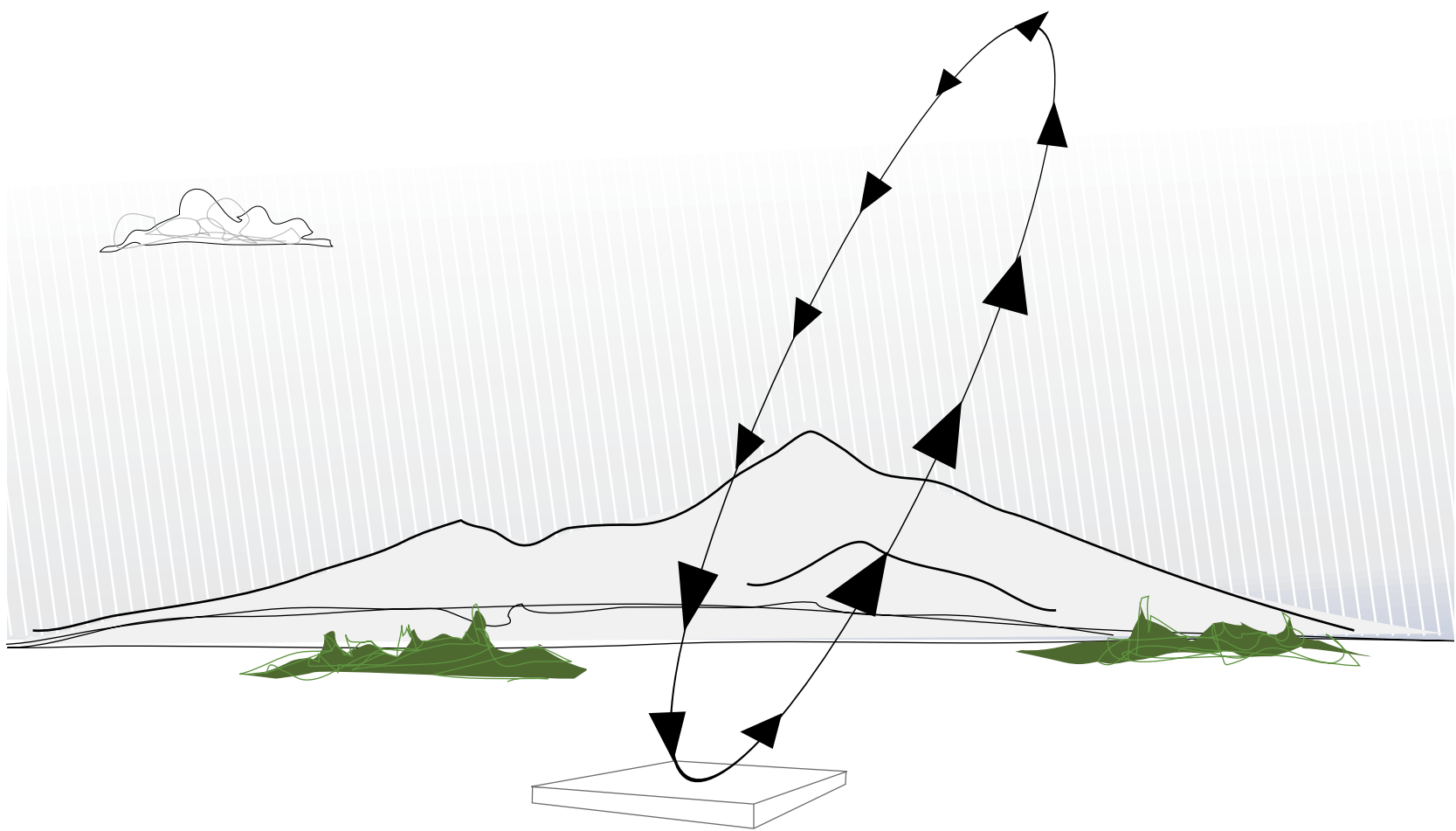
Power contained in High Altitude Wind. This is the kinetic power in kiloWatts per square meter graphed as a function of altitude (height, in kilometers). Data is taken from the MADIS NOAA Profiler Network - more than 100 Doppler radar stations across the US and Japan. Values shown are averages over all of the stations within the network. For comparison the kinetic power per square meter of a large terrestrial turbine operating at rated capacity is shown in green.



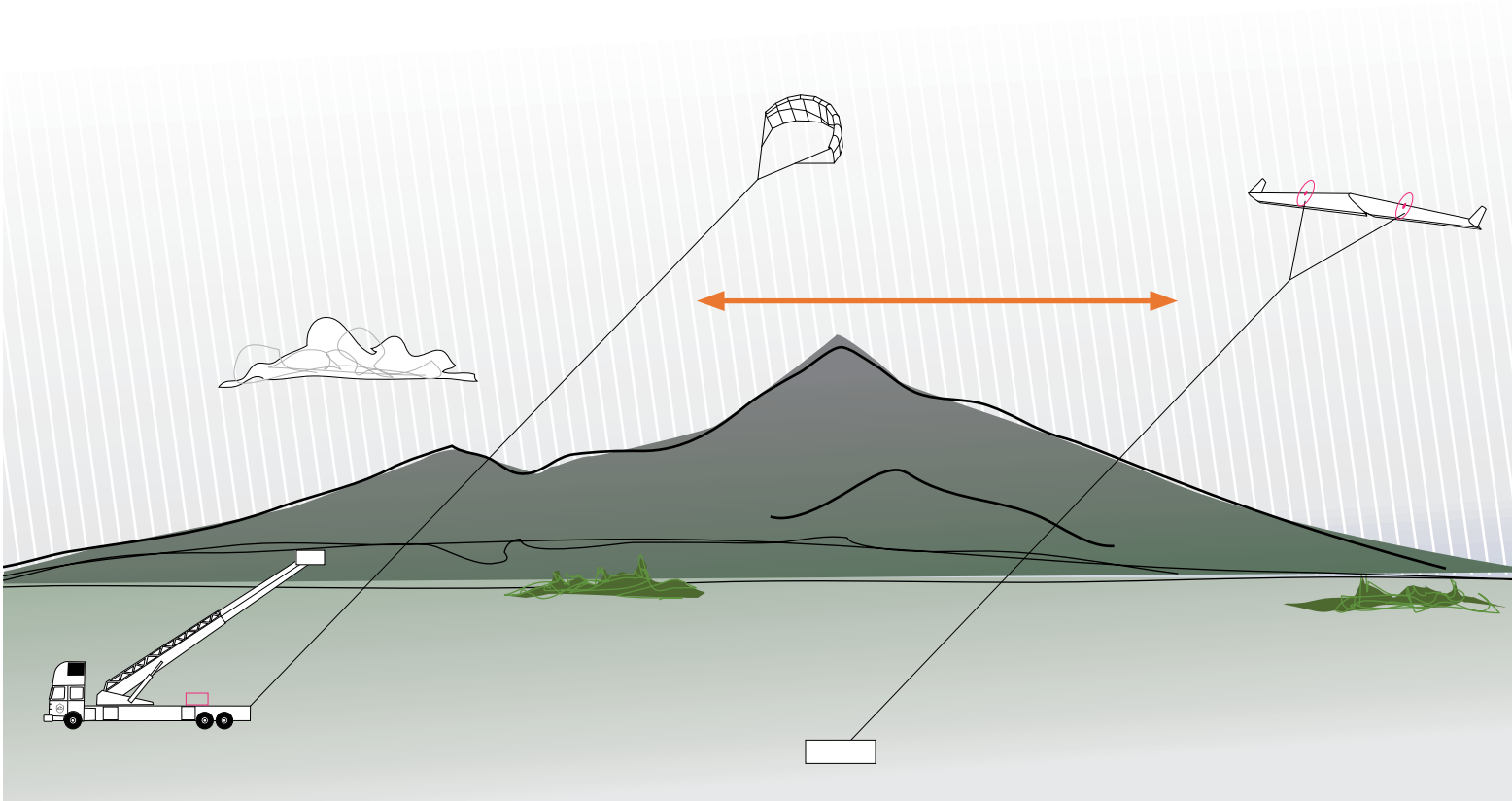




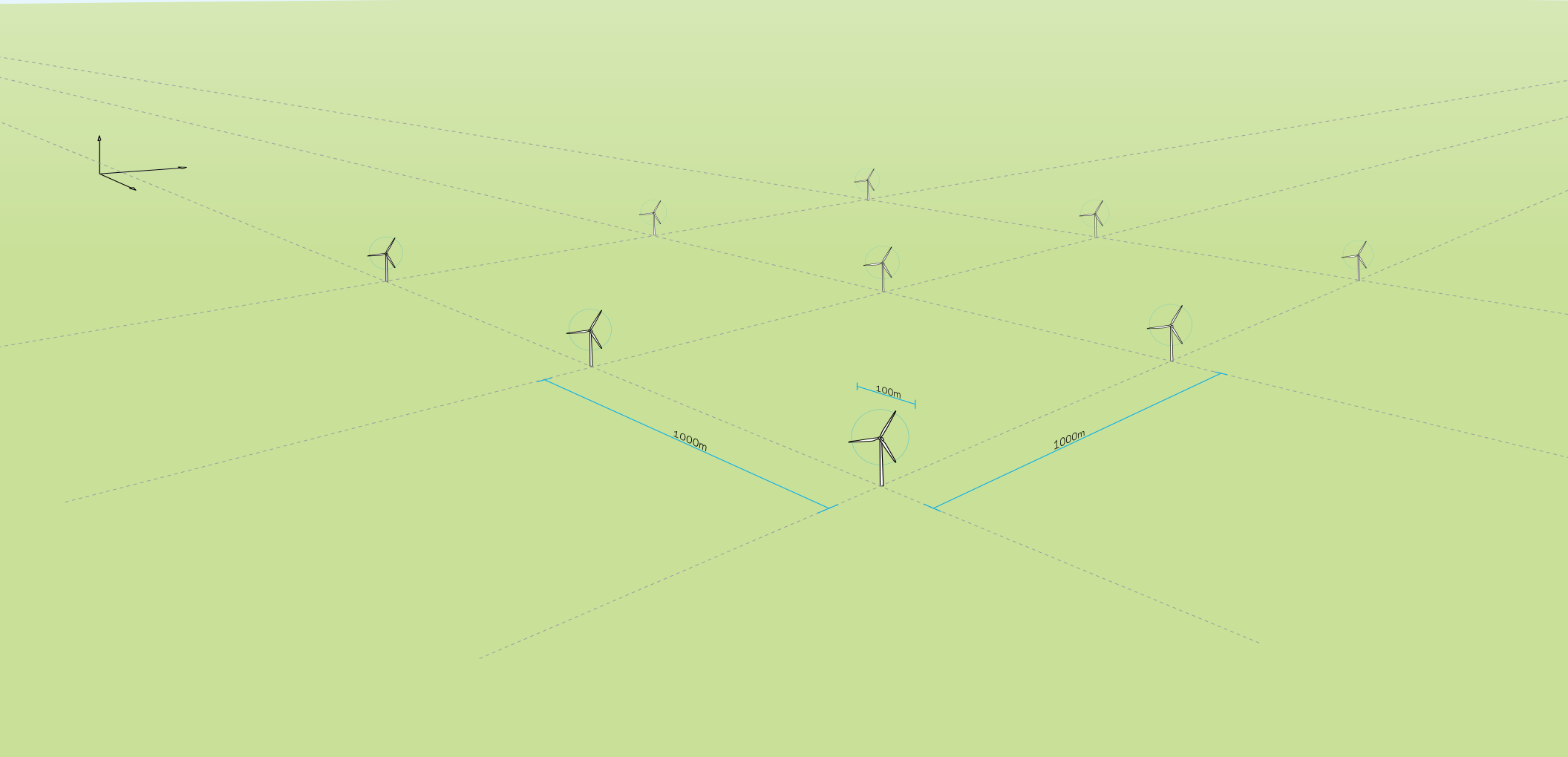




Two remaining candidate architectures.

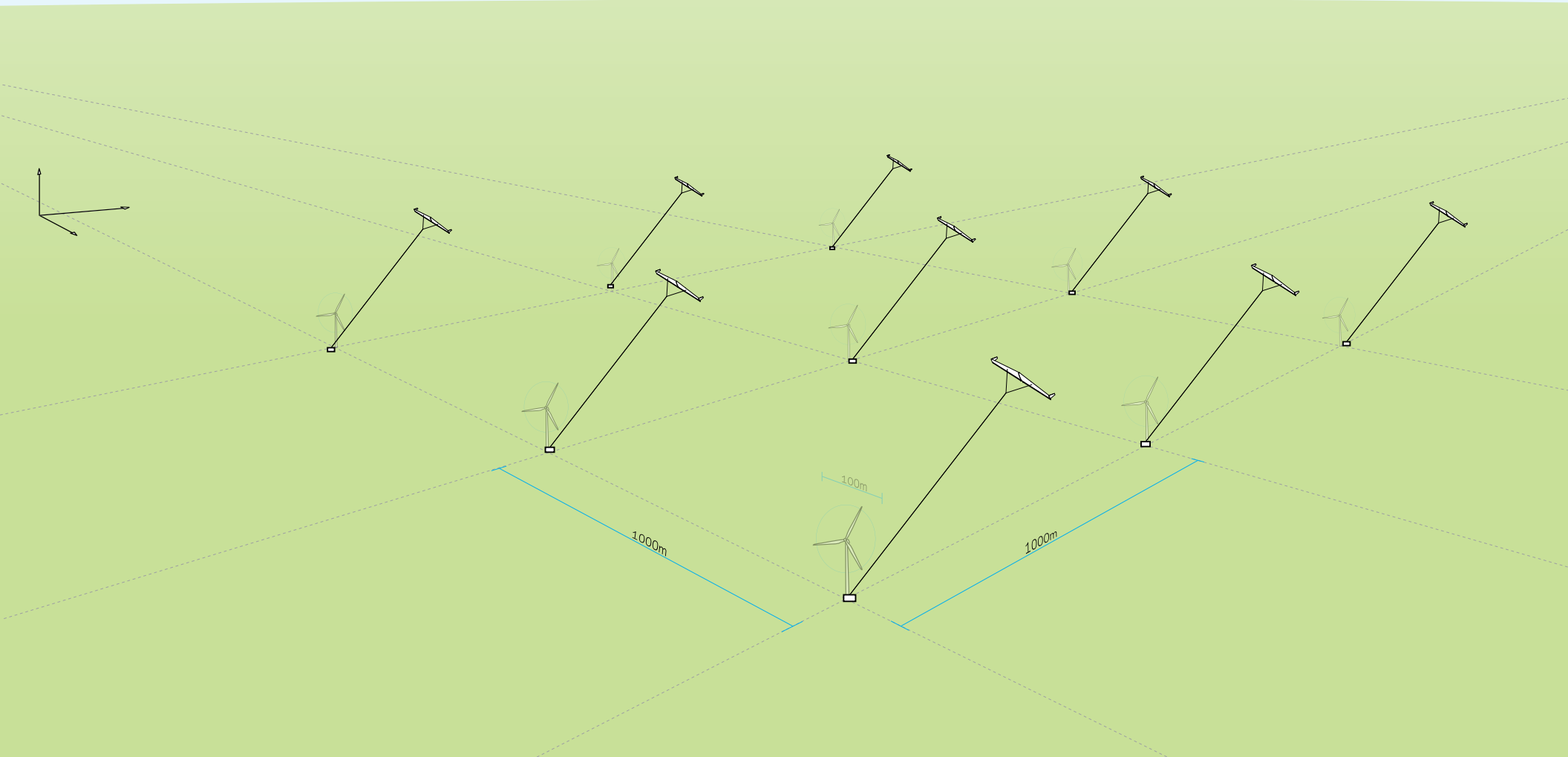


Traditional wind FARM - 1-2 W/m² (Land Area)



Makani KITE FARM

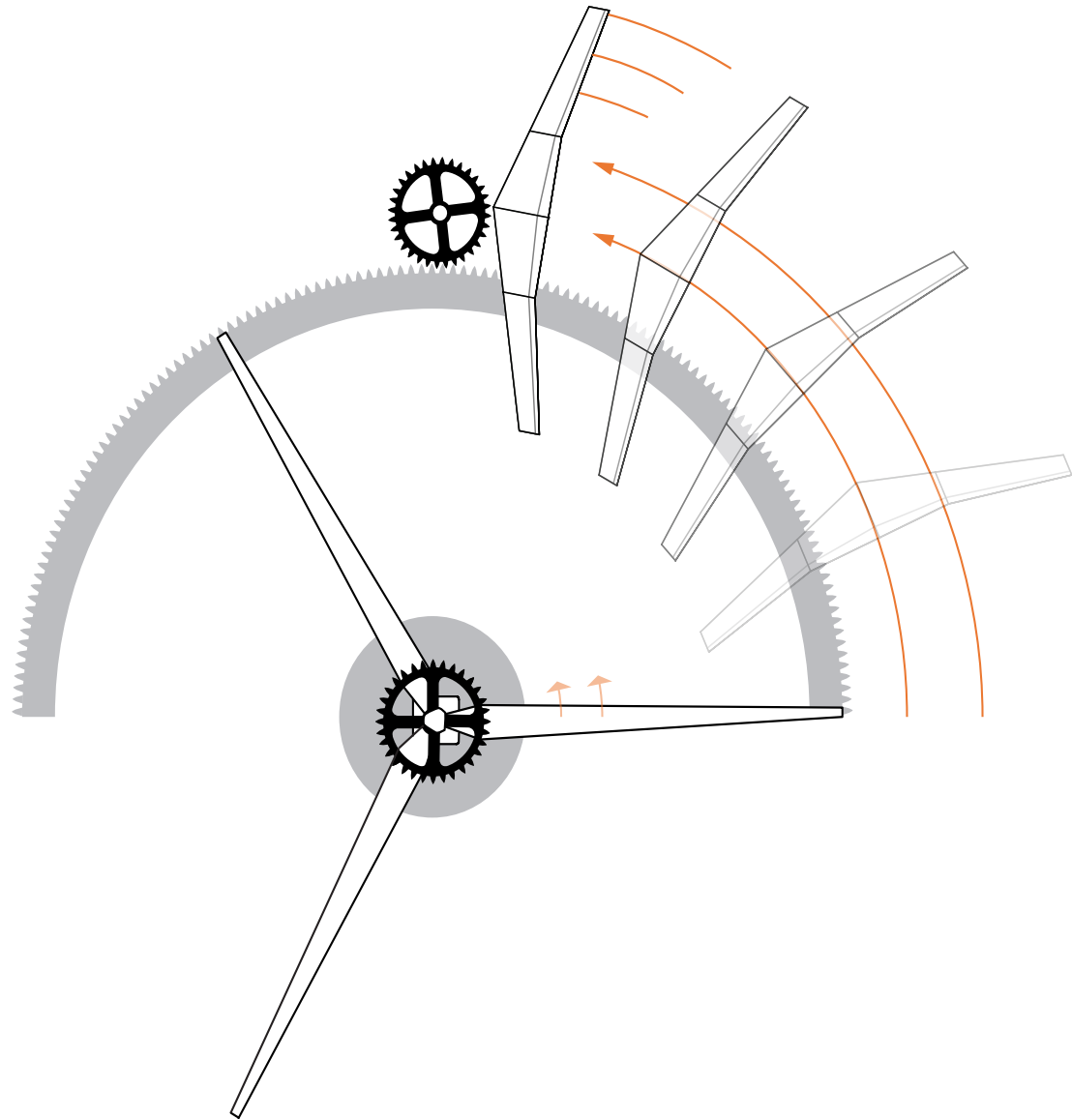
Similar layout and spatial density to existing wind farms, higher capacity factor and power capacity per unit of land area.



Aerodynamic gear (More with Less)

One way of describing the principal advantage of Makani technology is that we have built a continuously variable aerodynamic gear that sweeps through the maximum area of power producing sky with the minimum amount of material (wing).

The high speed wing allows us to remove completely gearboxes and low speed direct drive generators and replace them with high speed electric generators that are small, lightweight, and ultimately much lower cost.



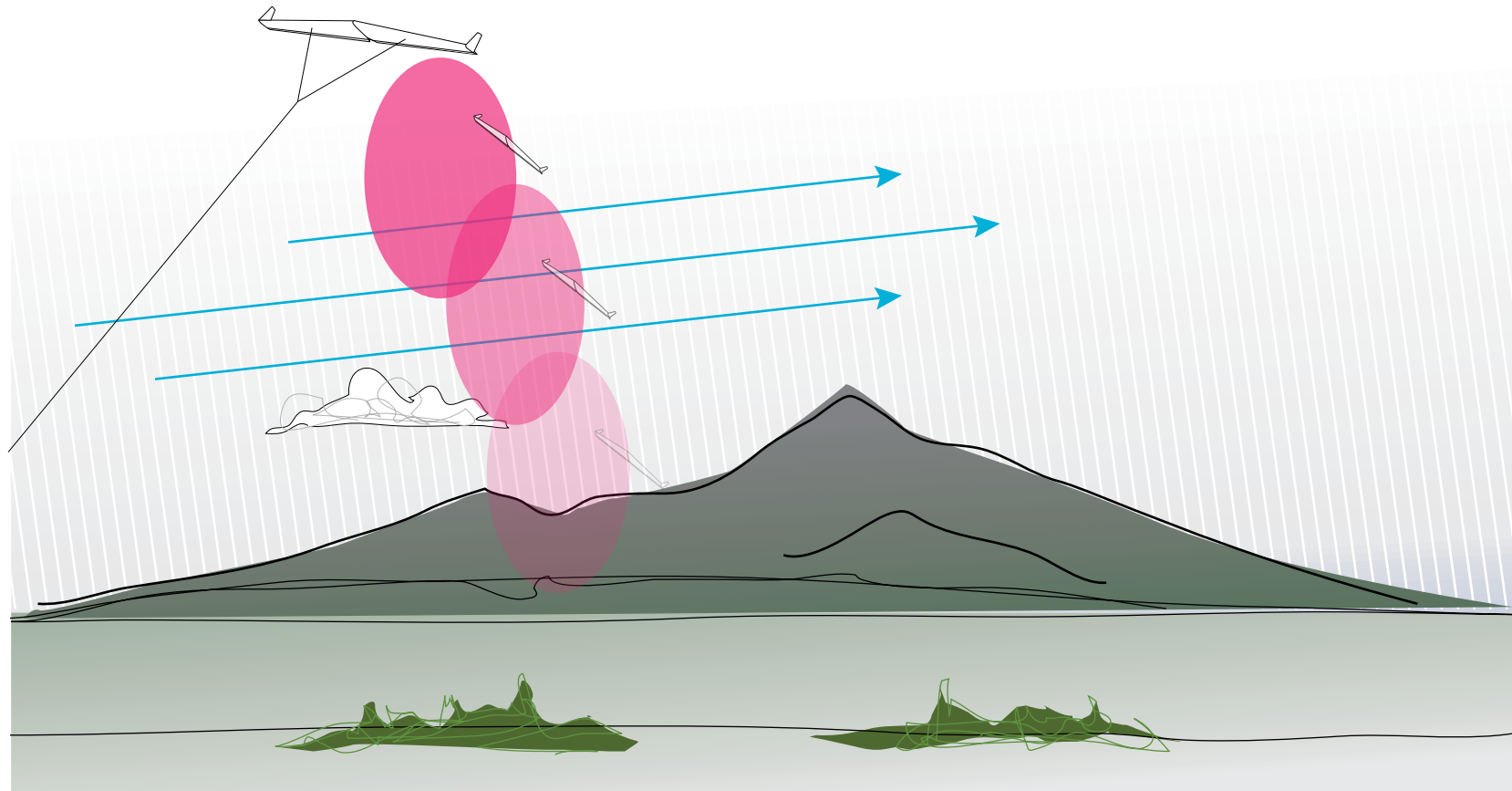
Greater operational range

One major advantage of Makani Power technology is the greater dynamic range of this method of extracting wind energy. The wing because it is not fastened to a tower, can be flown at an altitude and along a flight path that is most efficient for the given wind conditions and wing design.

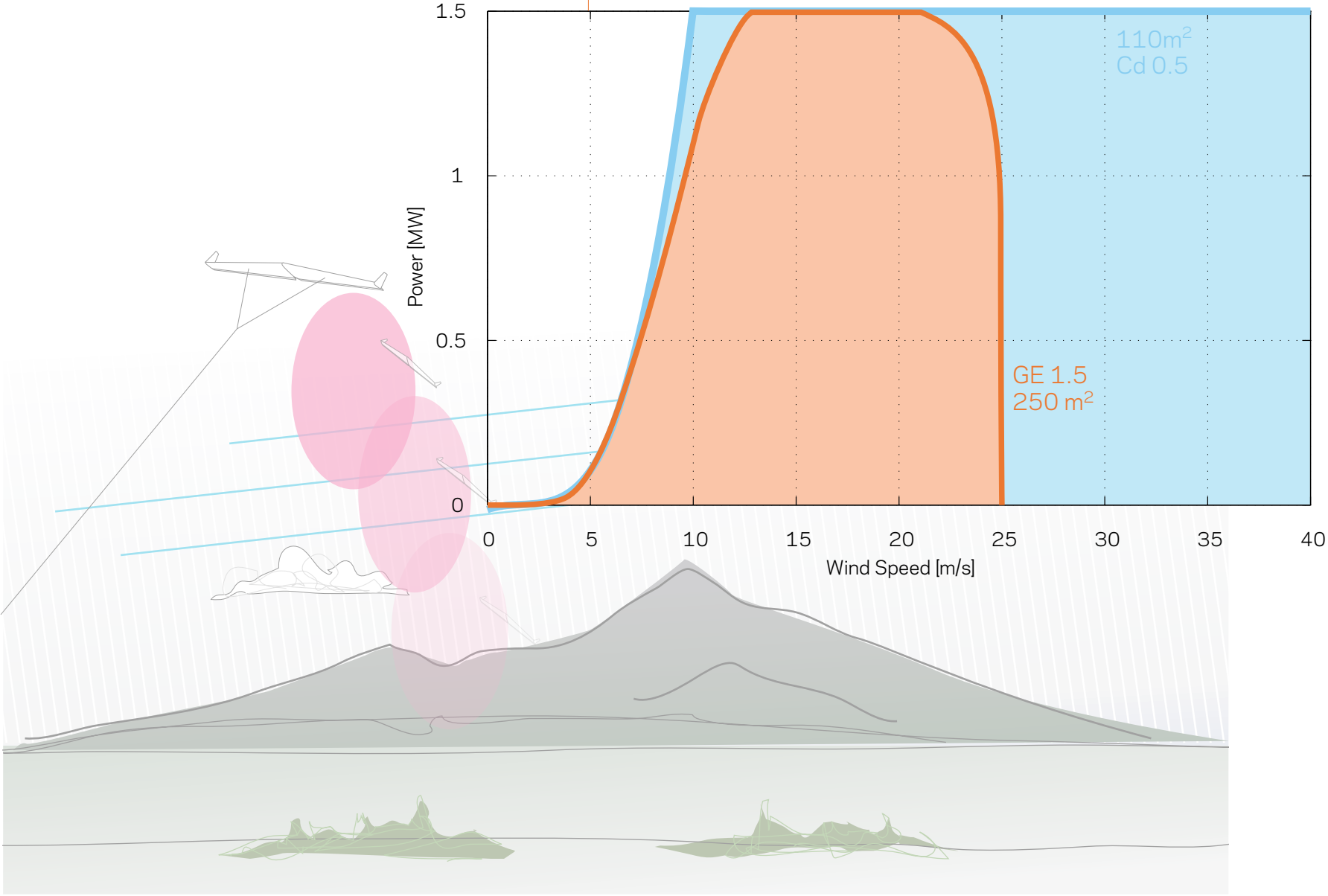
As wind speed increases kite can fly higher.

As wind speed decreases kite can fly lower.

This allows the machine to get maximum performance and power generated as a function of the material (and therefore cost) of that machine.

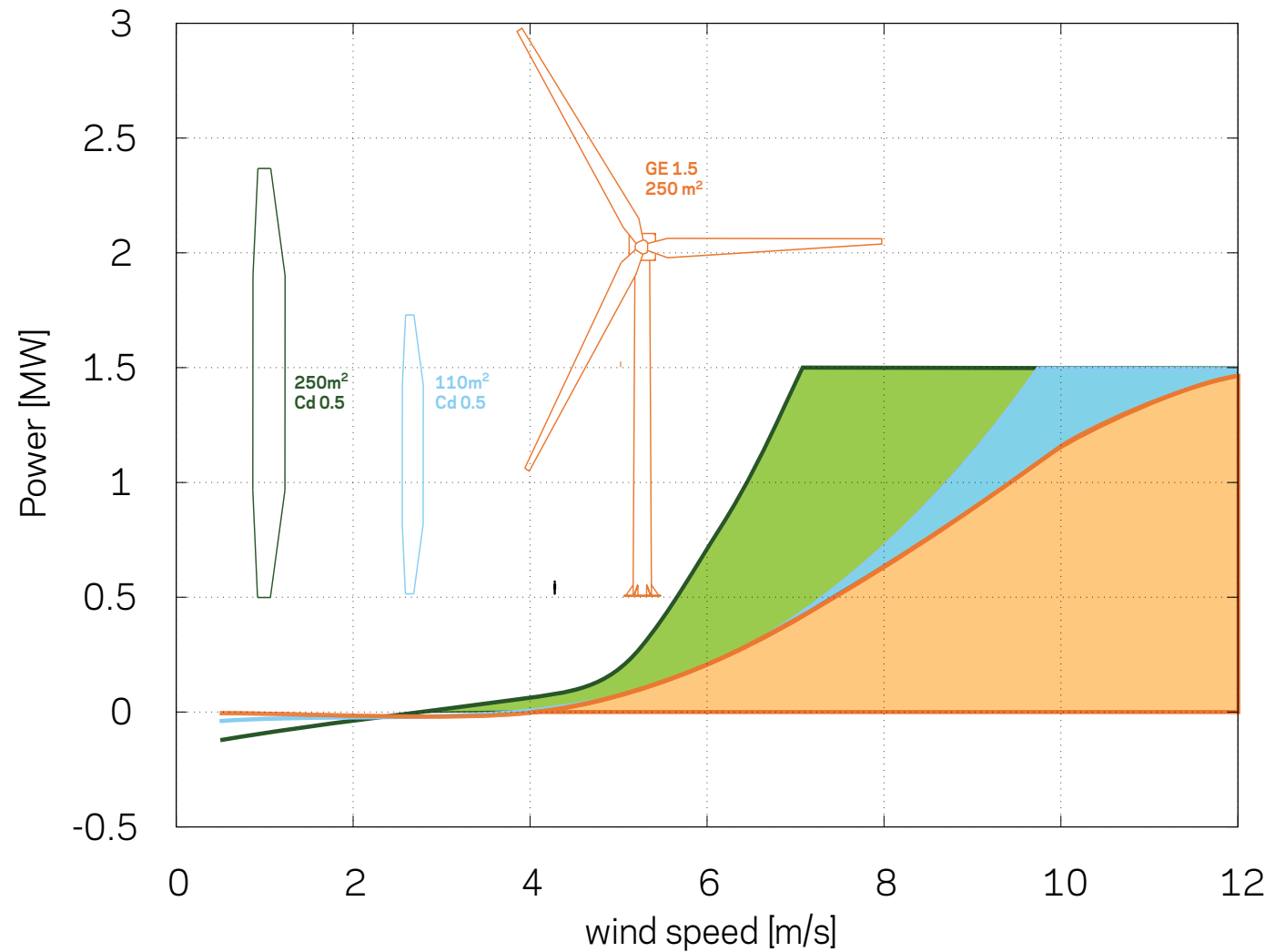


Greater Operational Range

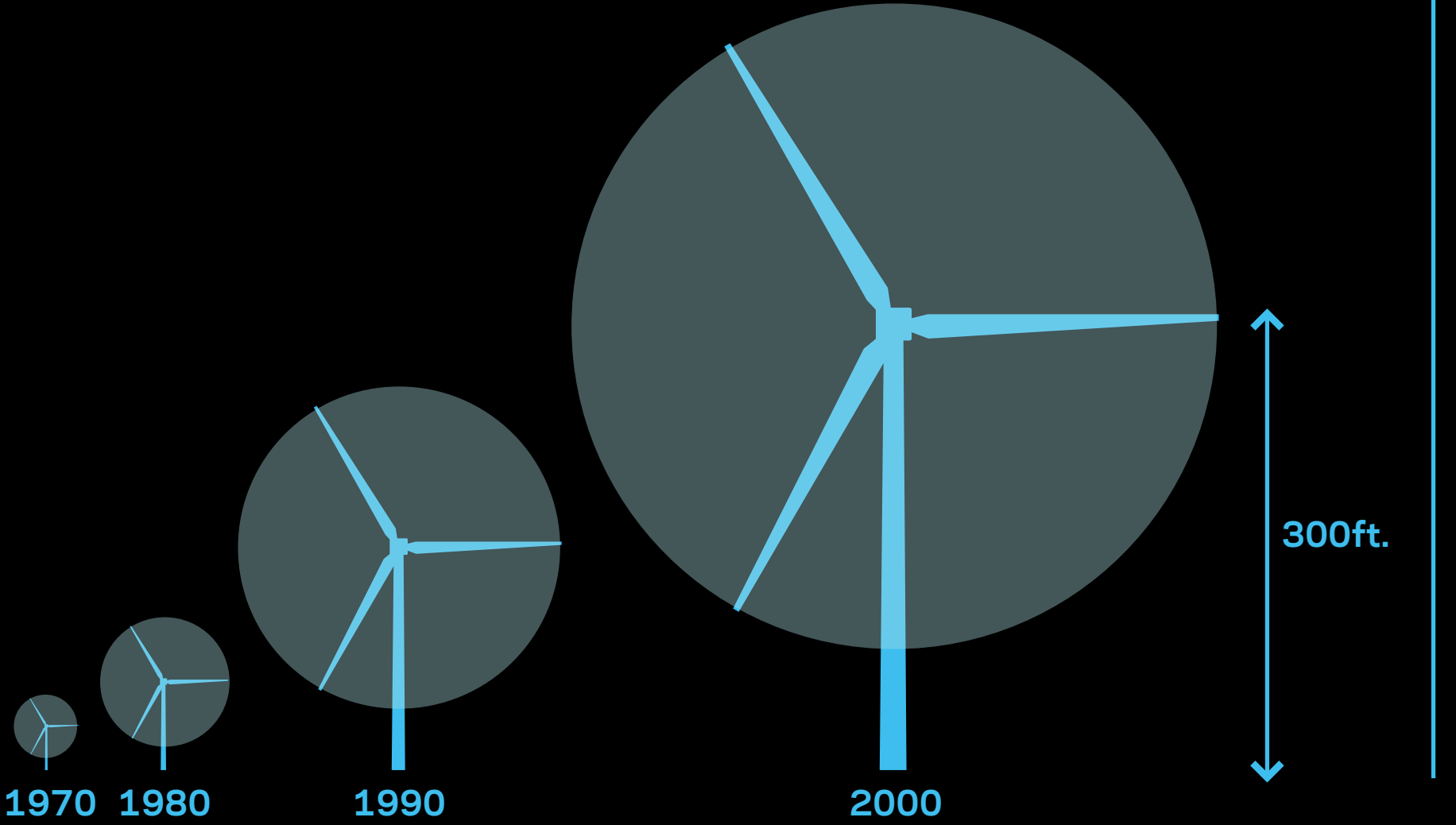


Power curves: Advantages over traditional wind

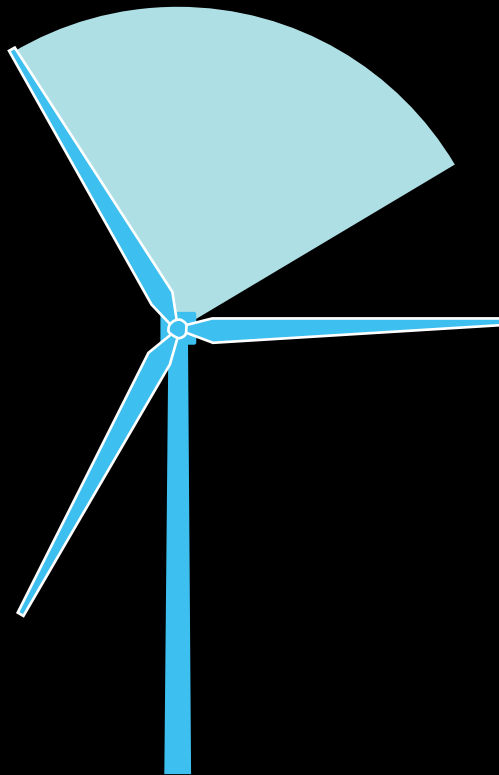
Perhaps one of the greatest advantages makani will have is at low wind speeds where we can reach full rated power much earlier. This will enable previously uneconomic wind sites (classes 2-4) to potentially become economic wind projects.



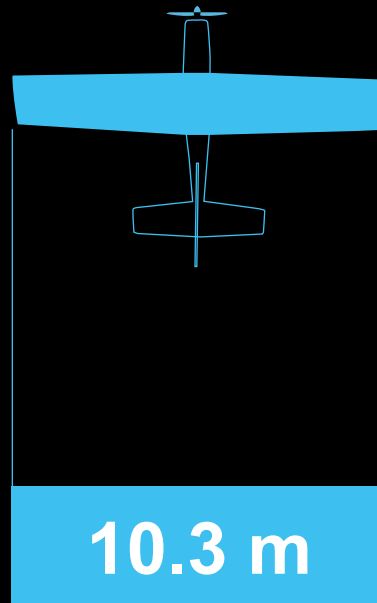
MORE HEIGHT = MORE WIND = MORE POWER.



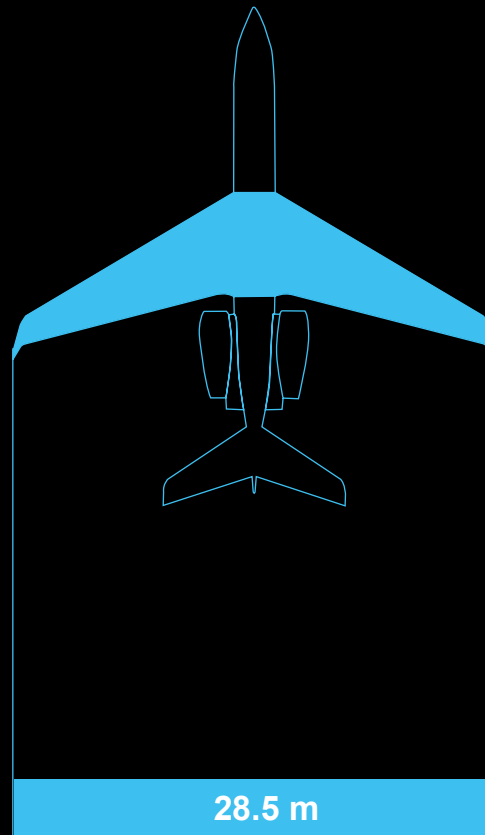
MORE SKY = MORE POWER



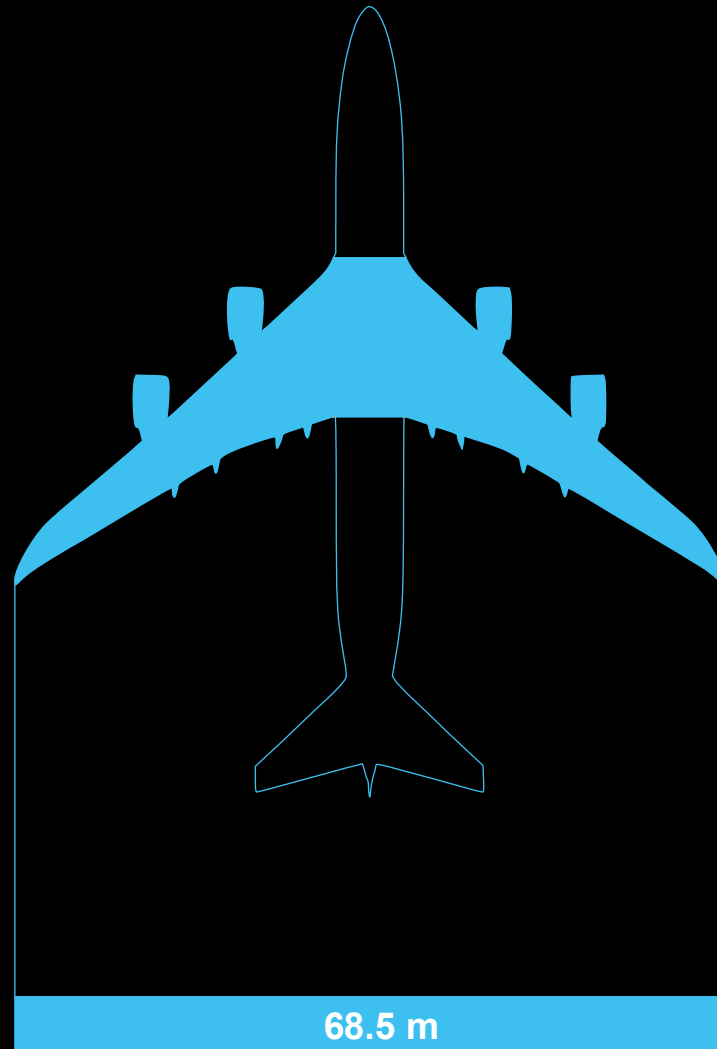




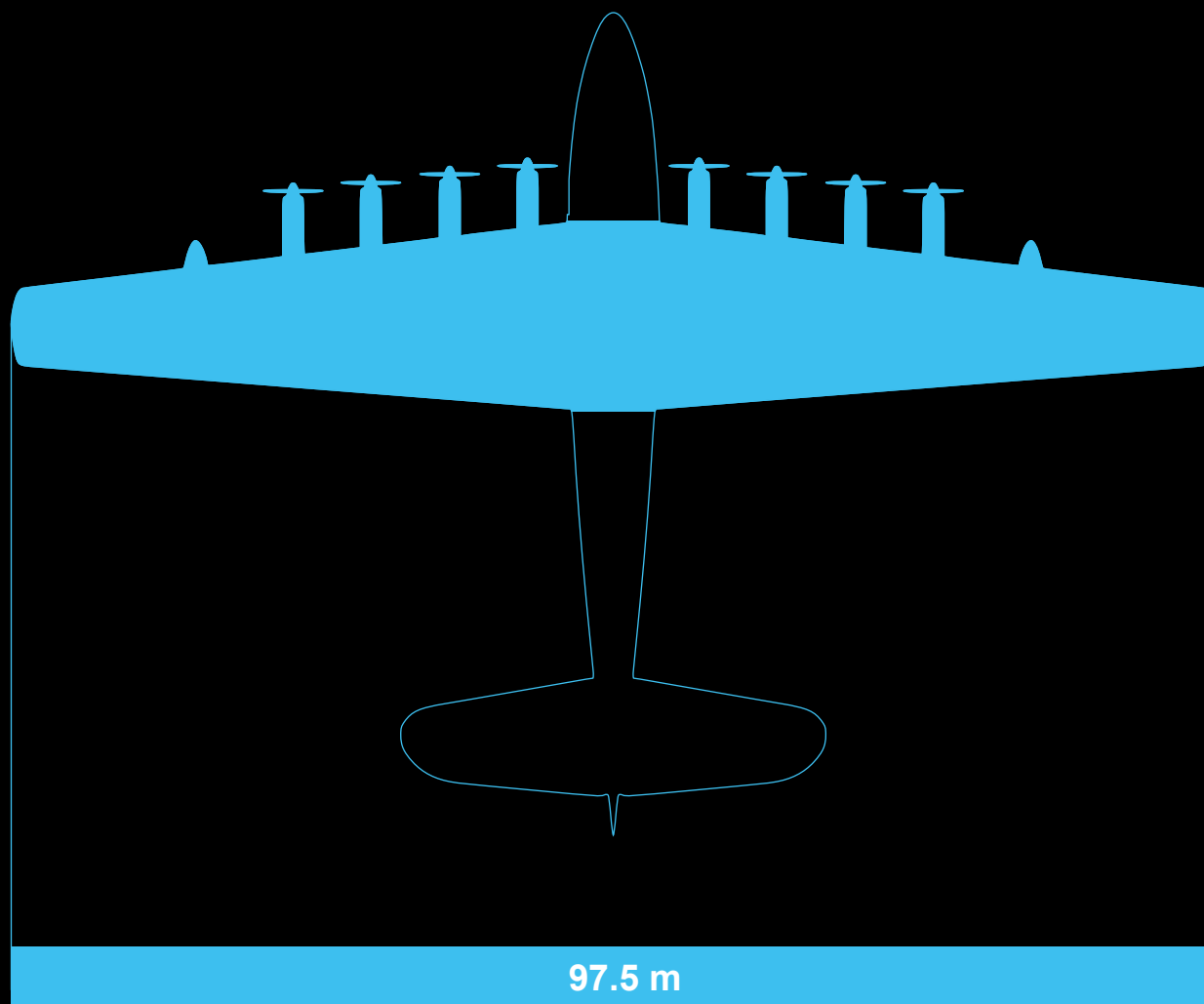
CESSNA
230 kW



GULFSTREAM
1.3 MW



BOEING 747
6 MW



SPRUCE GOOSE
15 MW



Next steps:

Full scale prototypes

Pilot plant testing

**Proof of insurability and
reliability**

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Following steps:

Production facilities
Deployment

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Demand : Consumption & Efficiency

Why watts ?

Allows you to compare activities on different timescales.

Allows you to consider non-carbon effects of using so much power.

If you do something yearly (like fly 105,000 miles), it contributes:

$$\frac{168,207 \text{ kilometers}}{1 \text{ year}} \times \frac{1 \text{ year}}{31,536,000 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{1.40 \text{ megajoules}}{1 \text{ kilometer}} = 7,462 \frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{second}} = 7,462 \text{ Watts}$$

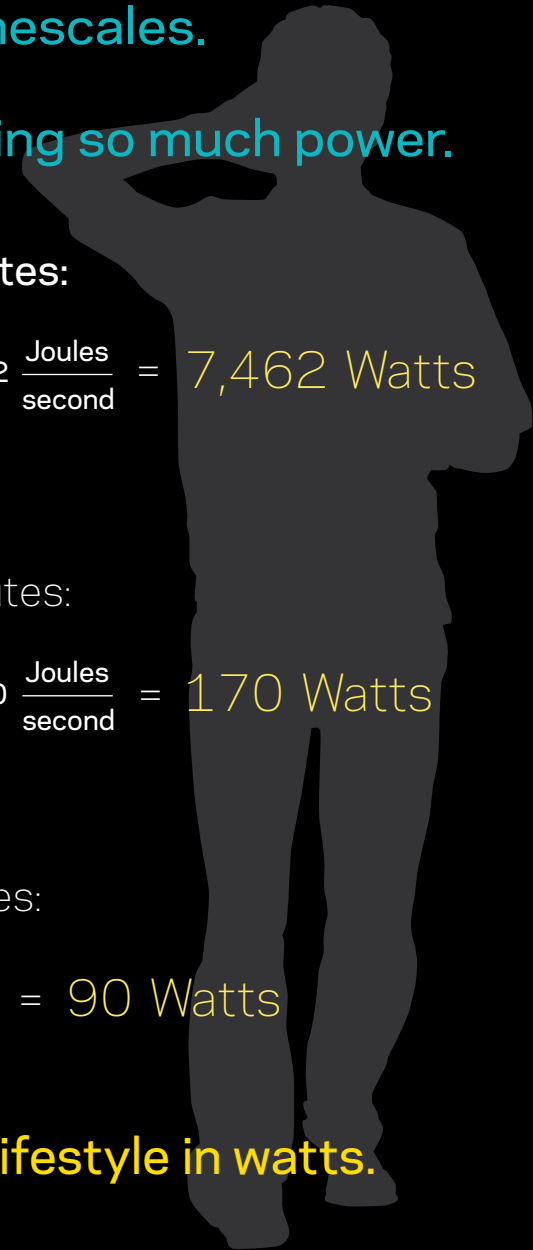
If you do something monthly (like your electricity bill), it contributes:

$$\frac{122 \text{ kilowatt} \cdot \text{hours}}{1 \text{ month}} \times \frac{1 \text{ month}}{2,952,000 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{3.6 \text{ megajoules}}{1 \text{ kilowatt} \cdot \text{hour}} = 170 \frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{second}} = 170 \text{ Watts}$$

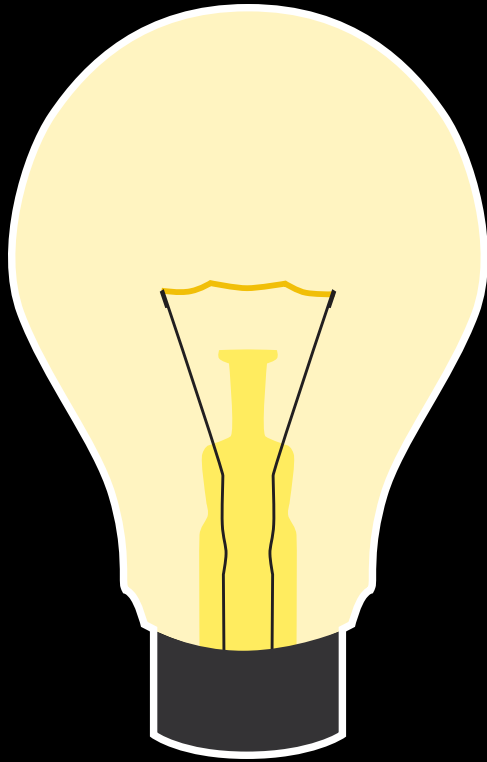
If you do something daily (like drink 1 Energy drink), it contributes:

$$\frac{1 \text{ energy drink}}{1 \text{ day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ day}}{86,400 \text{ seconds}} \times \frac{7.84 \text{ megajoules}}{1 \text{ bottle}} = 90 \frac{\text{Joules}}{\text{second}} = 90 \text{ Watts}$$

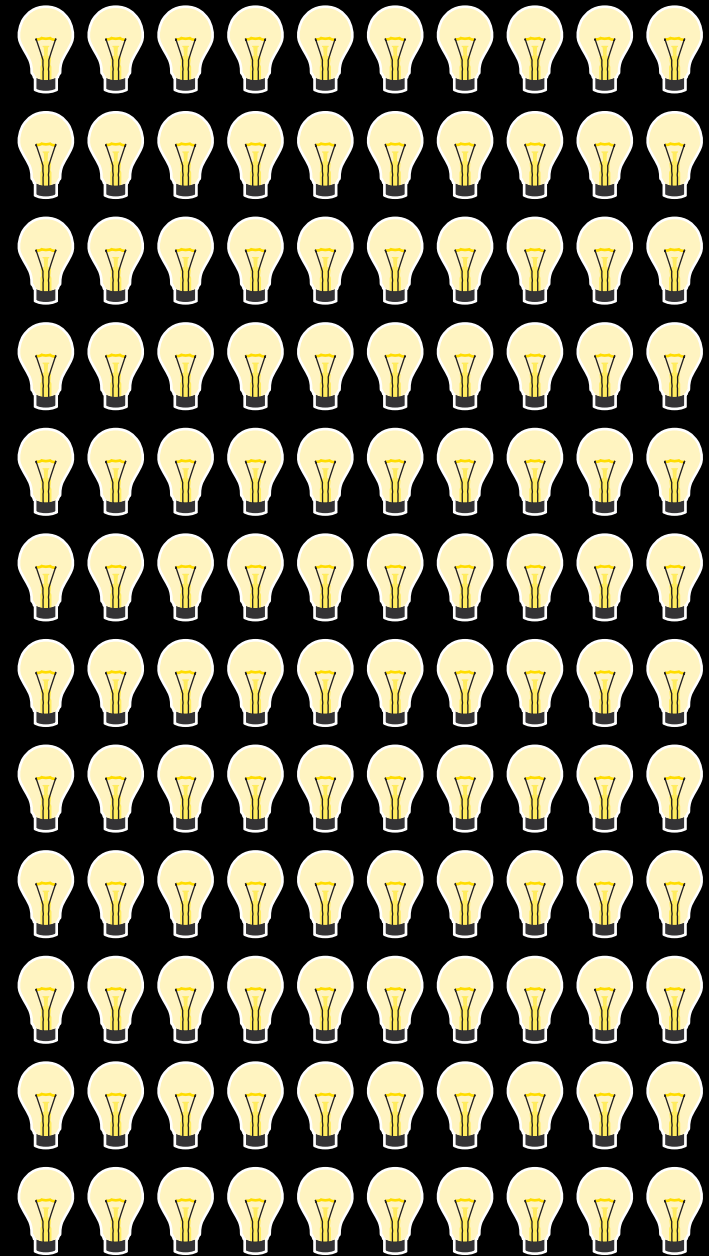
Yearly things + Monthly things + Daily things = your lifestyle in watts.



"Watts per always" - your life in light bulbs.



A 12,000 Watt lifestyle is 120 x 100
watt light bulbs burning permanently.
(Or 920 Compact Fluorescents)



Climate change is a global problem. But it's individuals who will create the solution.

Wattzon gives you the tools you need to track your energy consumption, compare it to others, understand its consequences and discover the steps you need to take to help solve climate change. Ready to get started?

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What is WattzOn?

WattzOn is a free online tool to quantify, track, compare and understand the total amount of energy needed to support all of the facets of your lifestyle ... [CONTINUE READING »](#)

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A watt is a unit of power that indicates the rate at which you are using energy. For WattzOn, we normalize all of your profile answers ... [CONTINUE READING »](#)

60Hz buzz

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FROM THE BLOG

I'M TOM, A RECOVERING CONSUMER

My name is Tom and I have been a recovering consumer for five years. Since I'm new here, I'd like to let you know a little bit about...

CLIMATE CHANGE, RECALCULATED

On January 16, 2009, I gave a talk at the Long Now Foundation — hosted by Stewart Brand, this was a long discussion that placed our personal...

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: LOSE ENERGY

January is in full swing and millions of people are piling into gyms and counting calories to meet their new year's resolution of losing...

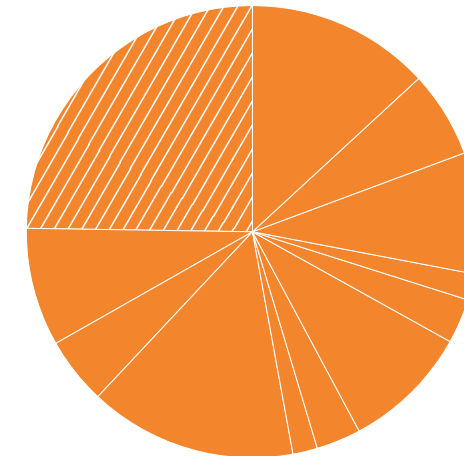
AVERAGE USER'S ENERGY USAGE

6,357W

CURRENT USER'S 1,207,098

NEWST USERS ENERGY BREAKDOWN [Kirk22 »](#)

10,936W



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FOOD 963W

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FLYING 100,963W

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HOUSING 963W

GOVERNMENT 3,003W

YOUR LIFE: 17,528W

COMPARE

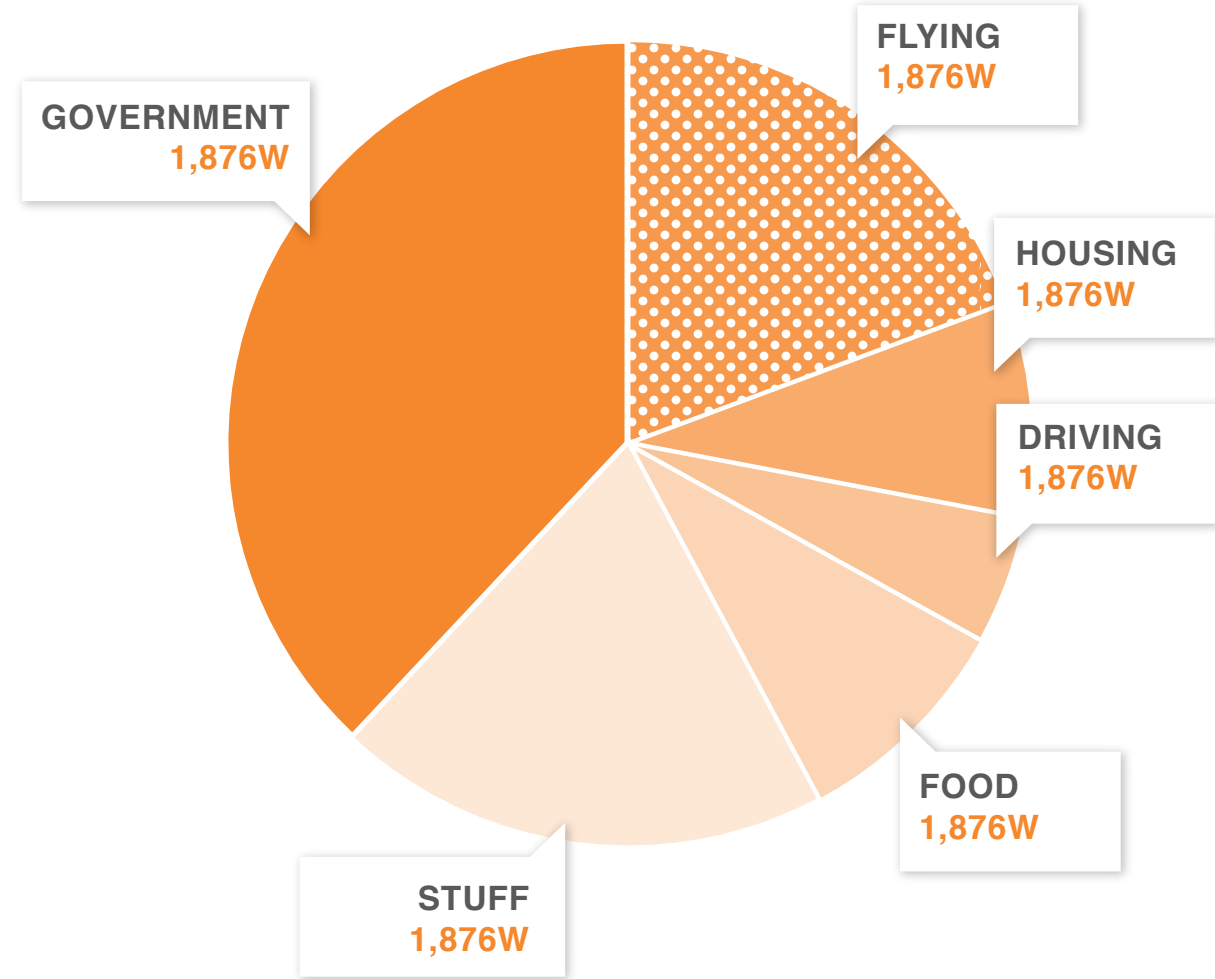
VISUALIZE YOUR ENERGY

SHARE

You vs Average User

As a wind turbine

Send to a friend



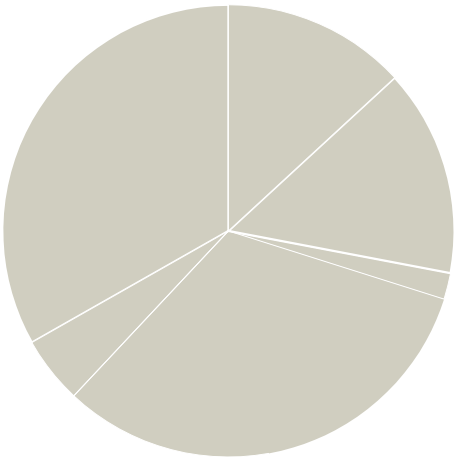
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RECENTLY ADDED ITEMS

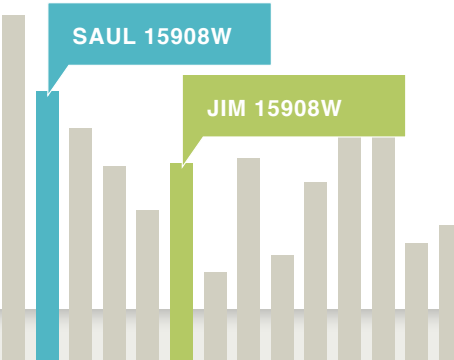
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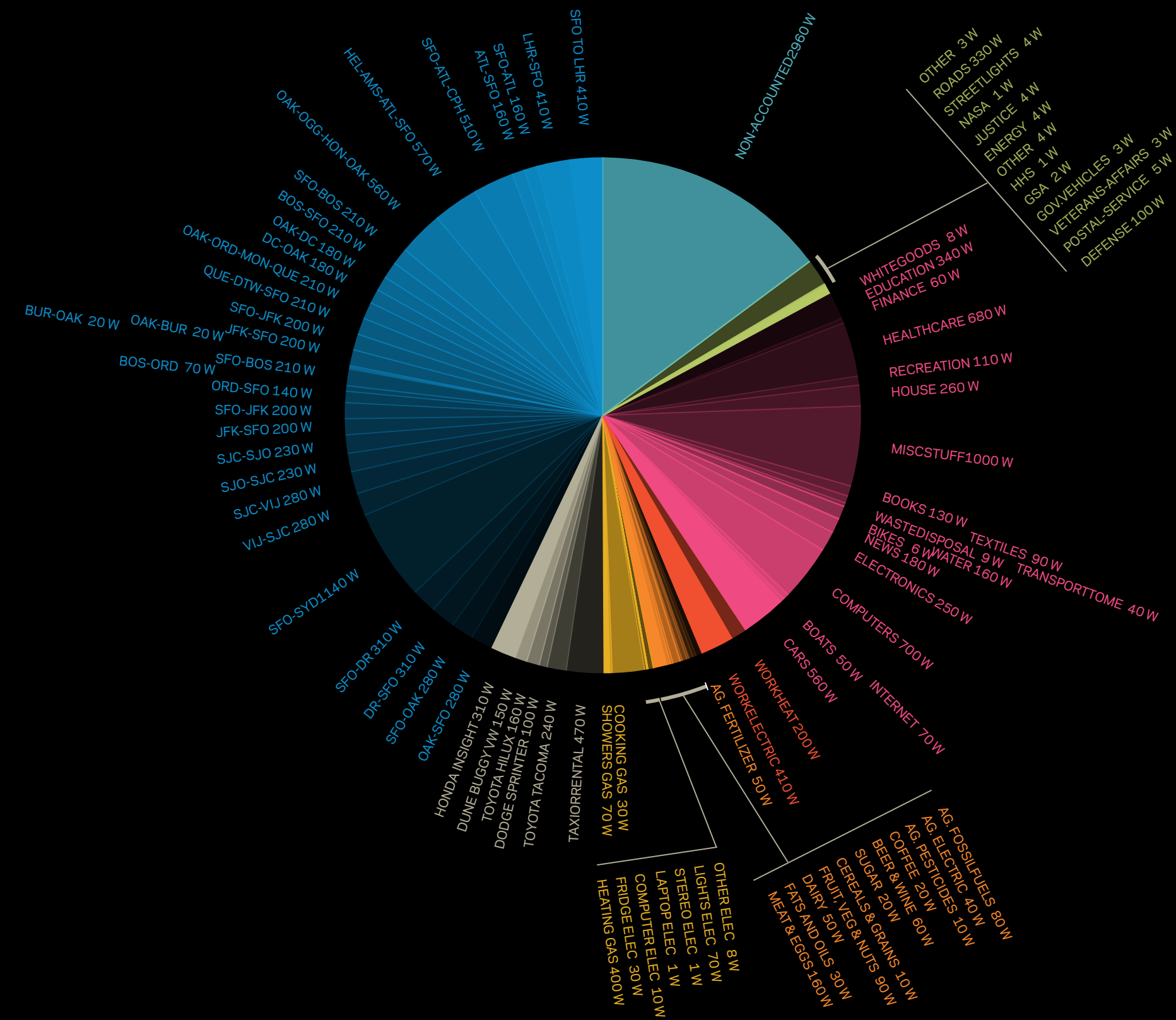
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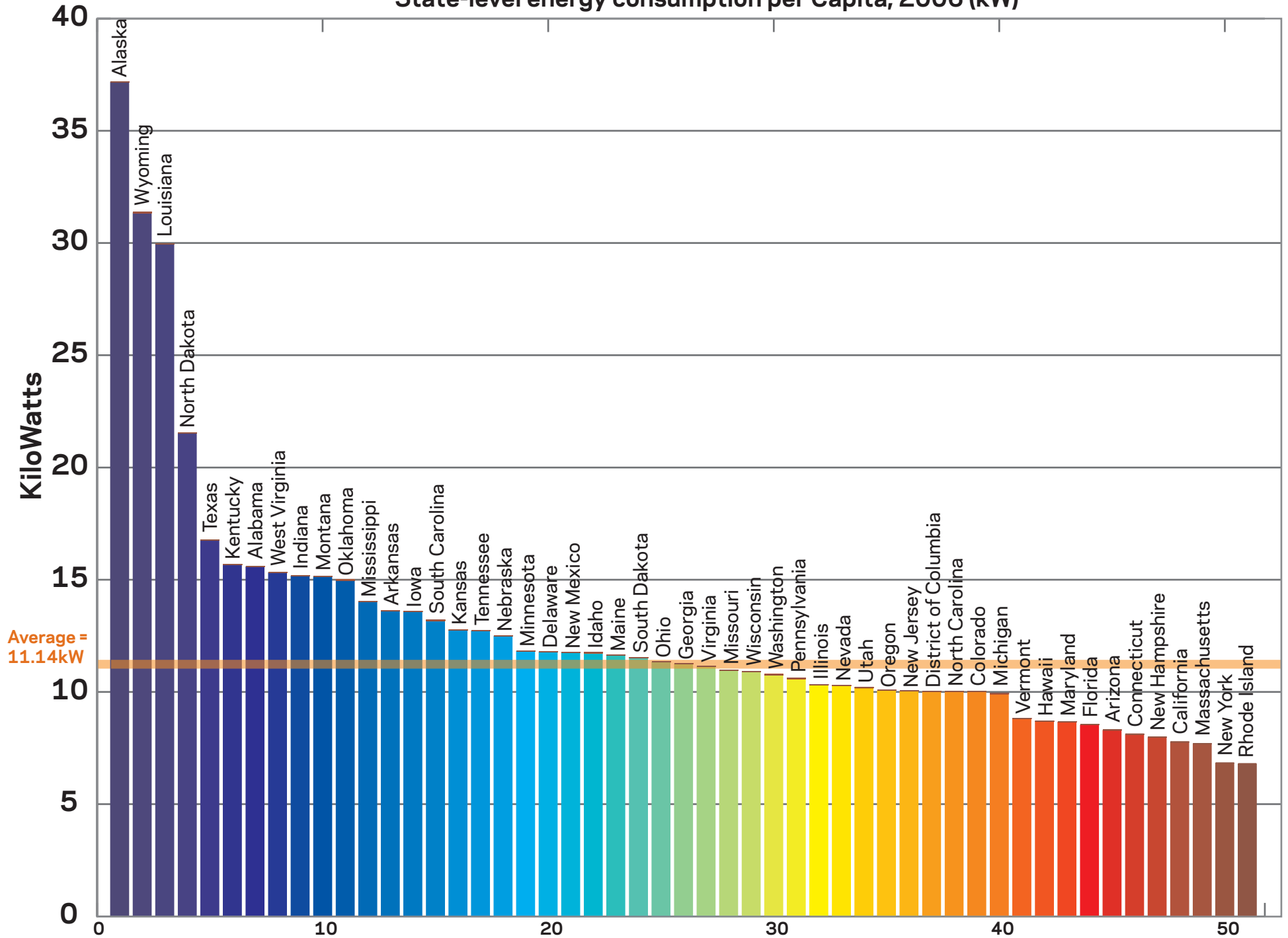


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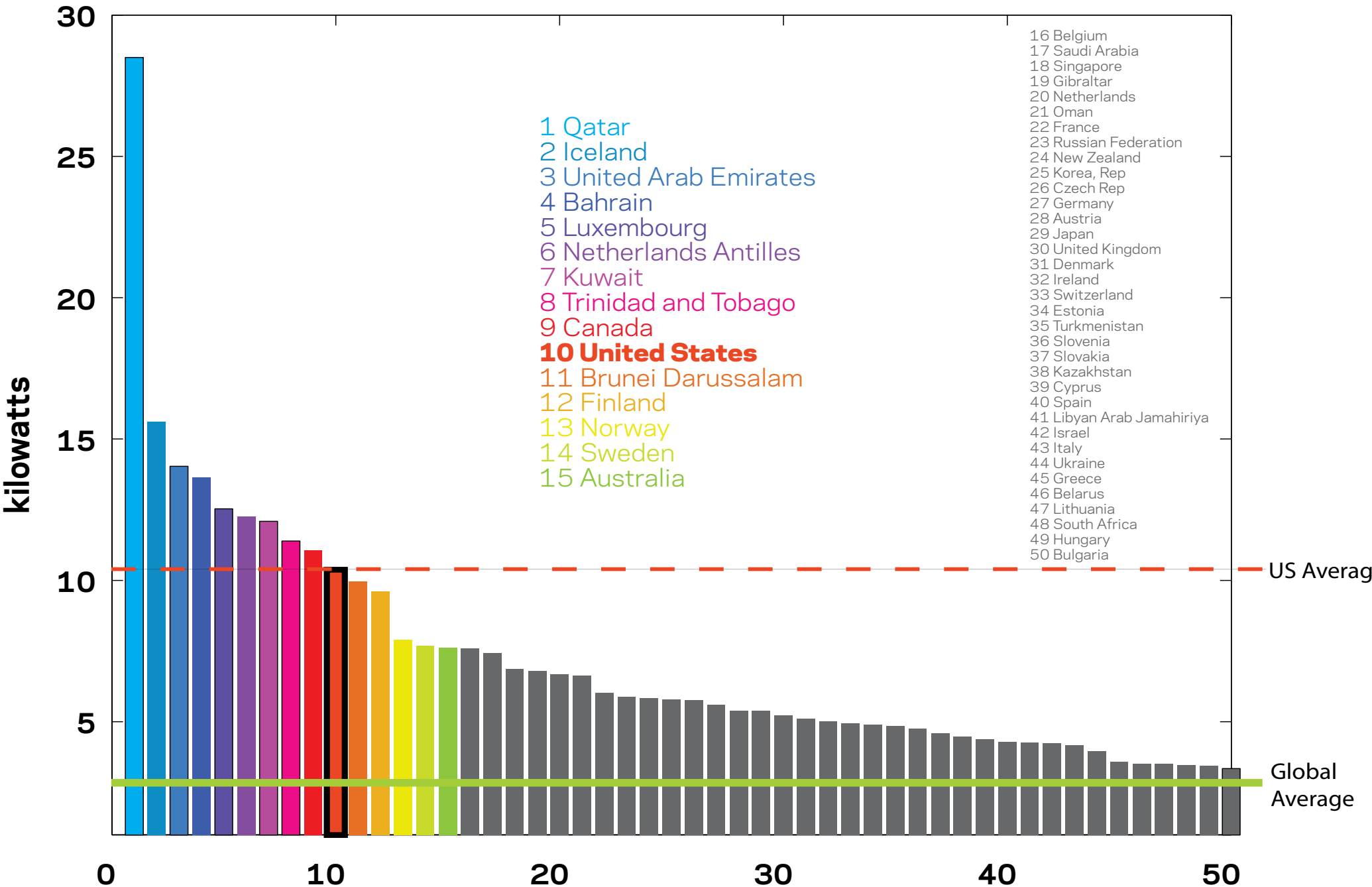




State-level energy consumption per Capita, 2006 (kW)

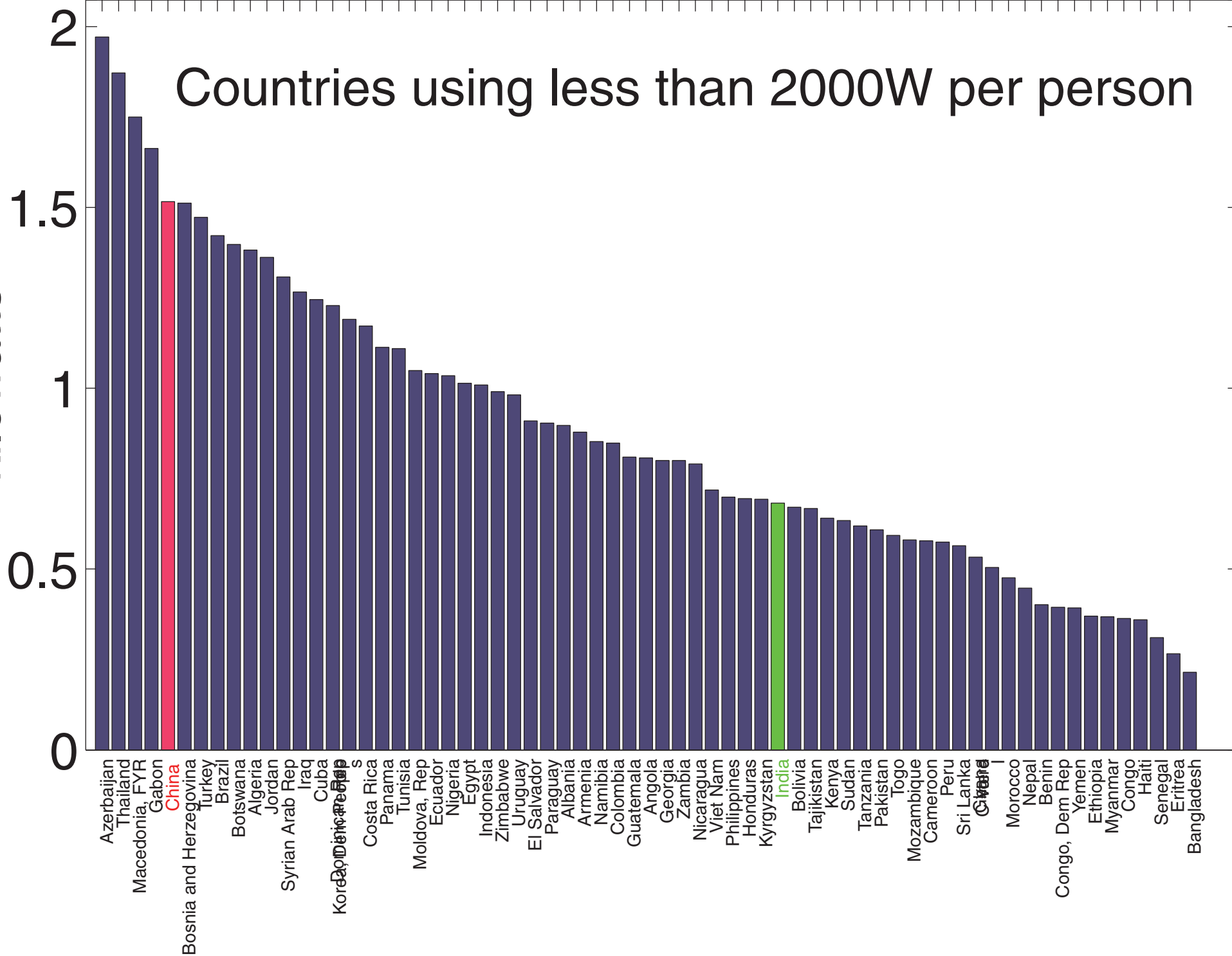


Per capita power use 2003

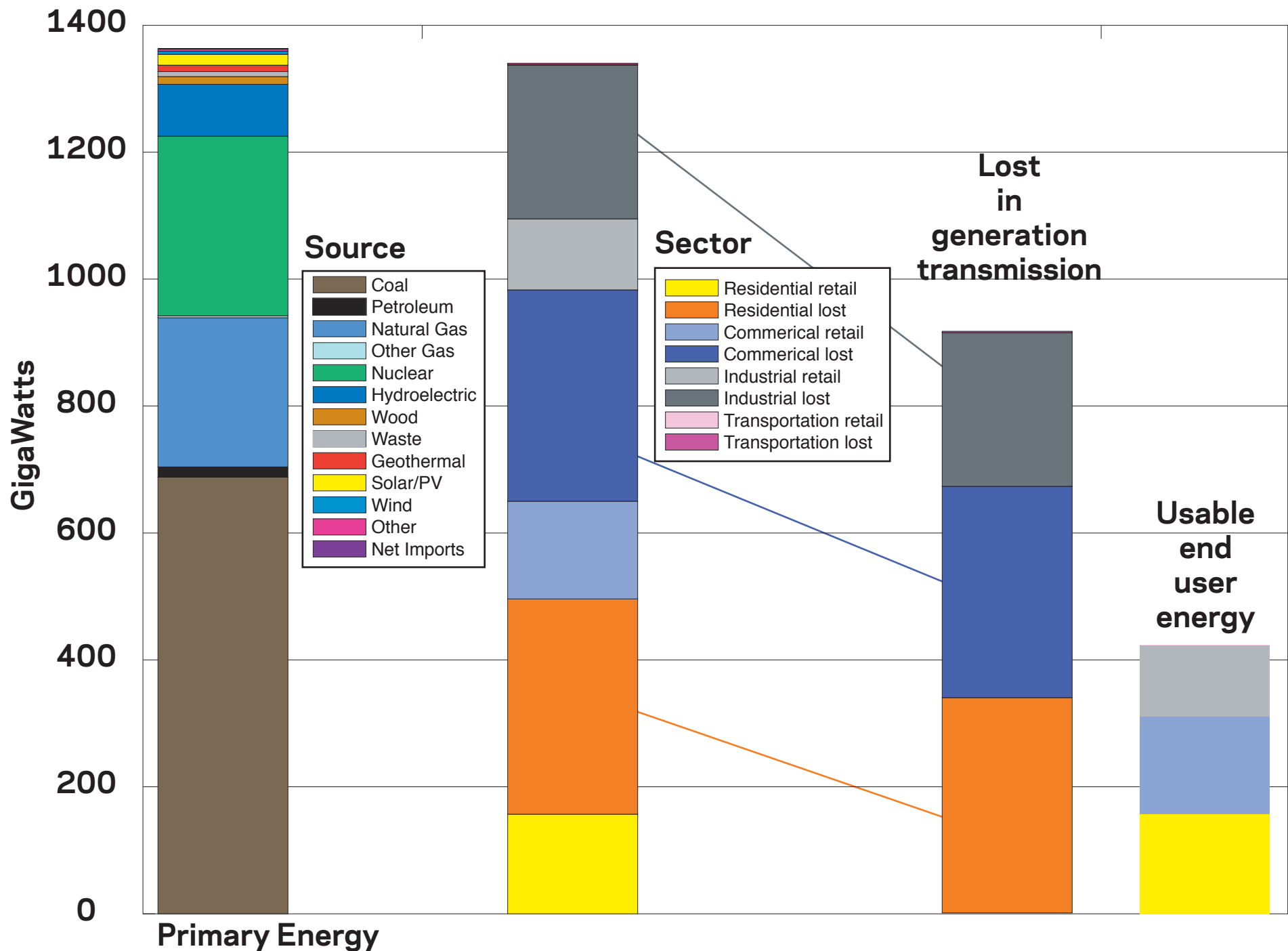


Countries using less than 2000W per person

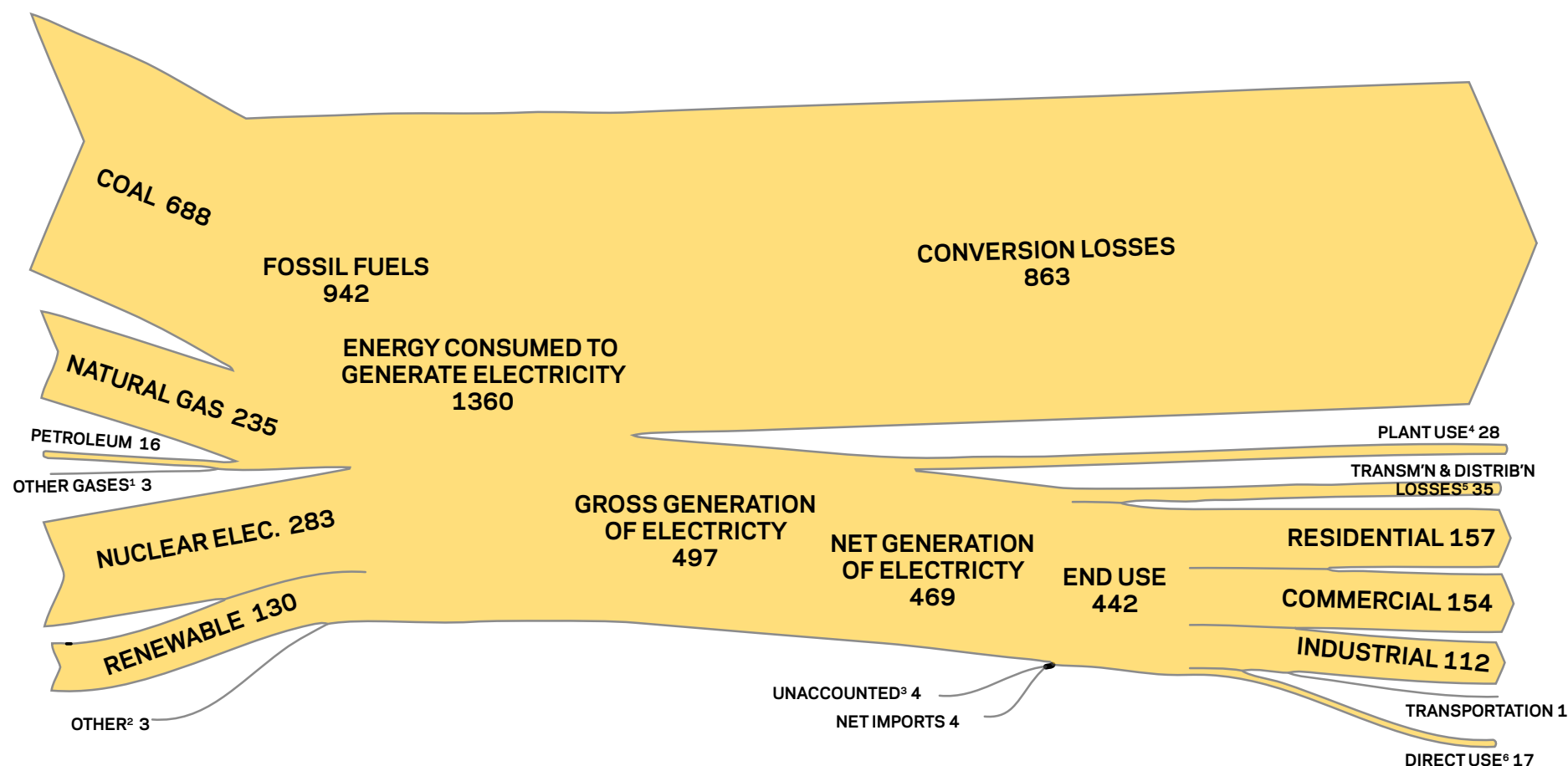
kilowatts



Electricity Grid; Generation by source, Consumption by Sector, 2008



US Electricity Flow, 2008
(GW)



¹ Blast furnace gas, propane gas, and other manufactured and waste gases derived from fossil fuels.

² Batteries, chemicals, hydrogen, pitch, purchased steam, sulfur, miscellaneous technologies, and non-renewable waste (municipal solid waste from non-biogenic sources, and tire-derived fuels).

³ Data collection frame differences and nonsampling error. Derived for the diagram by subtracting the "T & D Losses" estimated from "T & D Losses and Unaccounted for" derived from Table 8.1.

⁴ Electric energy used in the operation of power plants.

⁵ Transmission and distribution losses (electricity losses that occur between the point of

generation and delivery to the customer) are estimated as 7 percent of gross generation.

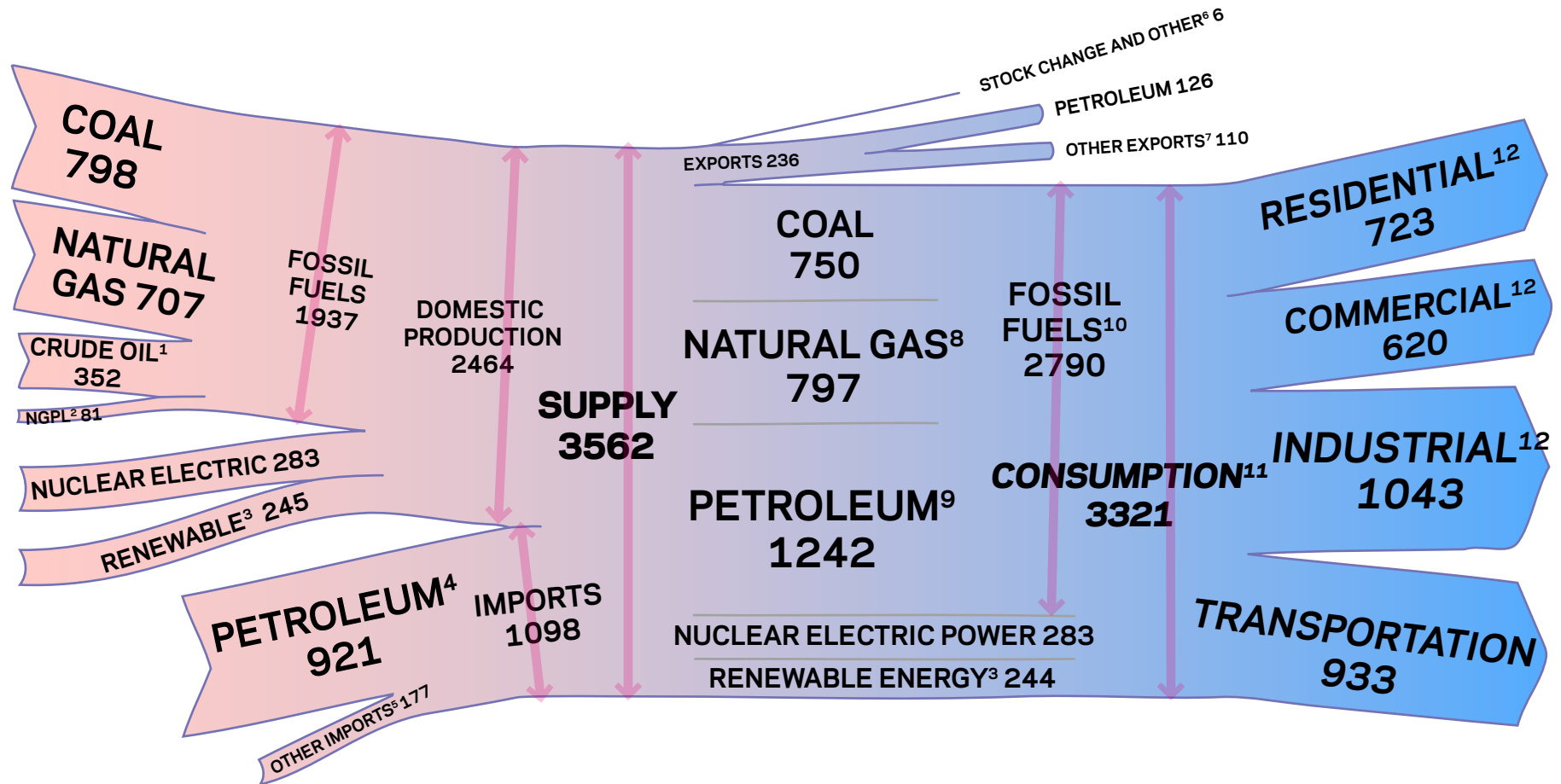
⁶ Use of electricity that is 1) self-generated, 2) produced by either the same entity that consumes the power or an affiliate, and 3) used in direct support of a service or industrial process located within the same facility or group of facilities that house the generating equipment. Direct use is exclusive of station use.

Notes: ▪ Data are preliminary. ▪ See Note, "Electrical System Energy Losses," at the end of Section 2. ▪ Values are derived from source data prior to rounding for publication.

▪ Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding.

Sources: Tables 8.1, 8.4a, 8.9, A6 (column 4), and Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-923, "Power Plant Operations Report."

US TOTAL Energy Flow, 2008 (Gigawatts)



¹ Includes lease condensate.

² Natural gas plant liquids.

³ Conventional hydroelectric power, biomass, geothermal, solar/photovoltaic, and wind.

⁴ Crude oil and petroleum products. Includes imports into the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

⁵ Natural gas, coal, coal coke, fuel ethanol, and electricity.

⁶ Adjustments, losses, and unaccounted for.

⁷ Coal, natural gas, coal coke, and electricity.

⁸ Natural gas only; excludes supplemental gaseous fuels.

⁹ Petroleum products, including natural gas plant liquids, and crude oil burned as fuel.

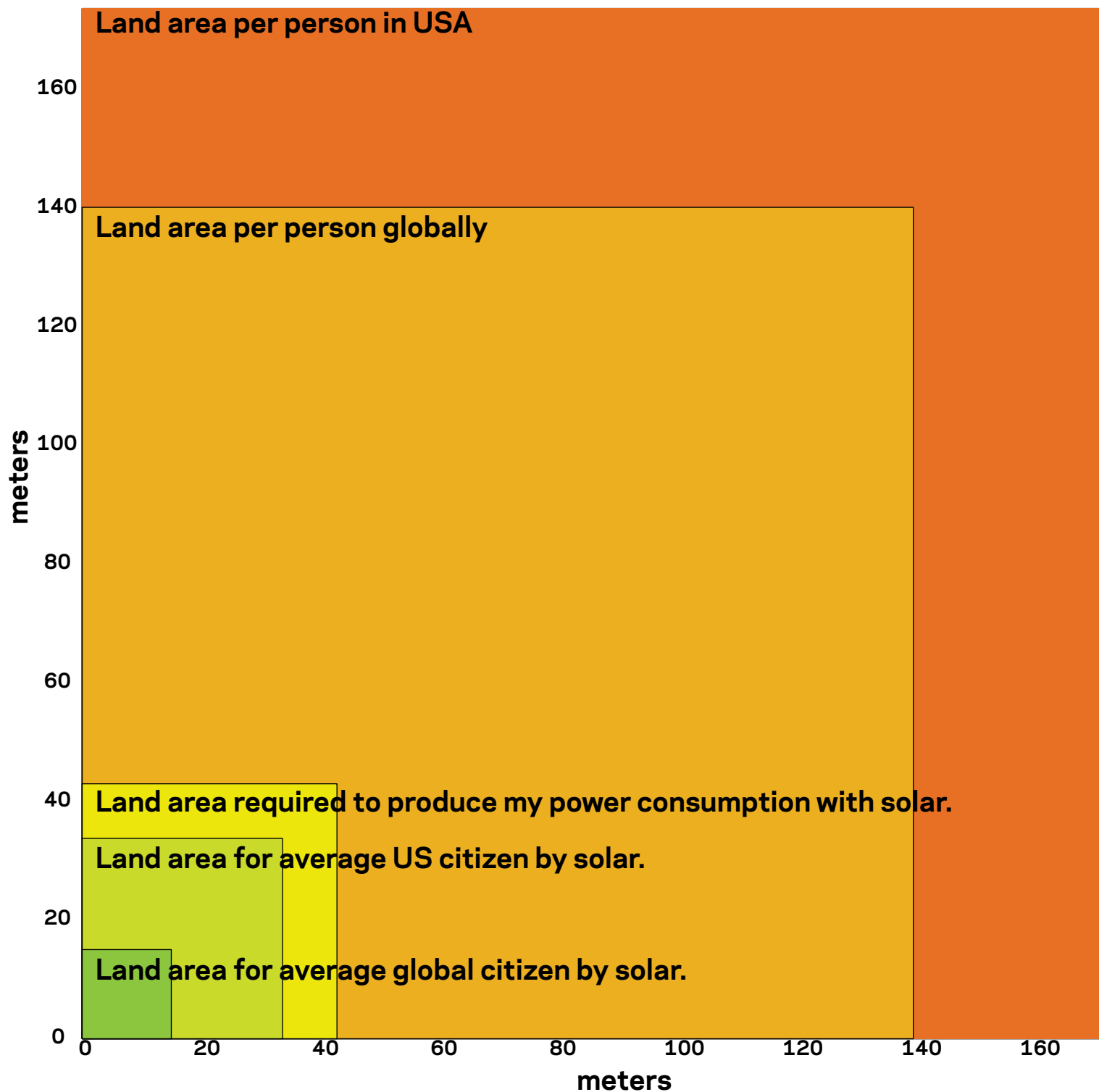
¹⁰ Includes 0.04 quadrillion Btu of coal coke net imports.

¹¹ Includes 0.11 quadrillion Btu of electricity net imports.

¹² Primary consumption, electricity retail sales, and electrical system energy losses, which are allocated to the end-use sectors in proportion to each sector's share of total electricity retail sales. See Note, "Electrical Systems Energy Losses," at end of Section 2.

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Sources: Tables 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, and 2.1a.

















**How can government
enable success of
clean tech and Smart
Grid start-ups?**

**What should utilities
and tech companies do
to facilitate commercial
success by viable clean
tech and Smart Grid start-
up companies?**

**Should utilities and
tech companies actively
provide venture capital
funding to clean tech and
Smart Grid start-ups?**

